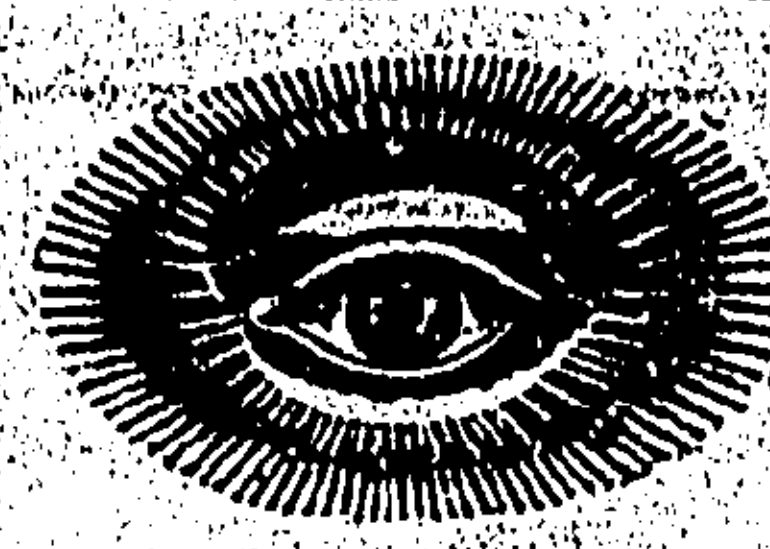


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THE CANTON SITUATION.

Where Exactly Does Gen. Li Chai-sum Stand?

SYMPATHY FOR CHIANG.

Always Ready To Take The Easiest Course.

A PEACEFUL PATH.

[By "Li Chung-yin."]

Whichever seems the easiest course with the least possibility of a challenge to his power, is, in a nutshell, the policy now being pursued by General Li Chai-sum, who controls Canton and the province of Kwangtung by virtue of his position as commander of the Fourth Nationalist Army.

Government in a form which ensures the highest degree of revenue, coupled with peace for the people as far as conditions will permit, seems to be assured for some time. This being so, trade should improve even though the horizon is clouded by an impending crisis on the Yangtze.

GOOD BUSINESS PROSPECTS.

Ever since General Chiang Kai-shek embarked on his expedition against the North, Li Chai-sum has been the virtual governor of Canton although the authority was vested in a number of councils in which his word counted for much. More recently his position has been akin to that of the autonomous tuchun of several years ago.

For the first time since the sensational resignation of Chiang Kai-shek last month, Li Chai-sum has announced a definite policy towards the major Nationalist issues. Inter alia, he asked in a circular telegram for—

the return of Chiang Kai-shek to office and the inclusion of Mr. Wang Ching-wei (head of the Wu-Han faction) in the Nanking Government, the retention of the post of commander-in-chief of all the Nationalist Armies until China is united under a Nationalist Government,

support for Chiang Kai-shek as the logical commander-in-chief by virtue of his being the most capable soldier.

It is obvious that Li Chai-sum wishes to see the rival cliques of the Kuomintang working together again as unity will enhance the prestige of the Party and thus indirectly mean greater security for him.

No Room For Sentiment.

It is equally obvious that Li Chai-sum has more sympathy for Chiang Kai-shek—he being referred to as indicating the Nanking faction—than for Wu-Han.

Li Chai-sum's sympathy is governed by practicalities and not by sentiment. He must feel that Nanking has greater influence in practical matters. Nanking and Wu-Han are equidistant from Canton by land. And I venture to submit that all the Naval units of China, more or less obsolete, cannot effect a successful landing to threaten Canton. I recall to mind the assault by river on Canton in 1925 but my contention is based on the assumption that the defenders are properly organized.

Autonomy Established.

Li Chai-sum still "recognises" the Nationalist authority. Vagueness is increased because that authority is vested in several places. The thin end of the wedge has been inserted and he is beginning to ignore the Nationalist Government.

Fiscal autonomy has been established by Kwangtung in floating the \$10,000,000 loan without seeking permission from Nanking. Then followed the virtual dismissal of the Nationalist Finance Minister, Mr. Koo Ying-fan, from Canton and the appointment of one of Li Chai-sum's adherents in his place.

Military Independence.

Li Chai-sum has resigned from his position as chief of Chiang Kai-shek's staff. When doing so, he announced that military affairs in his province will be directed from his own headquarters.

That Li Chai-sum will act independently of Nanking, Wu-Han and Shanghai is becoming more evident each day. What of the immediate future?

Adjoining Kwangtung to which it is connected by the West River is the province of Kwangsi where General Wong Shu-hung is firmly established. Li Chai-sum and Wong Shu-hung have served to-

gether for a number of years and have hitherto worked in close harmony. They have much in common and it is accordingly presumed that they will remain allies for their mutual benefit.

Capable Of Old-Fashioned.

Both are native of Kwangsi and there has been talk of a "Great Kwangsi clique" to which some of the Nanking generals will belong. This federation of generals, however, is overshadowed at the moment by the danger of open warfare between Wu-Han and Nanking.

As has already been proved, no rising in Kwangtung can take firm footing because Li Chai-sum has sufficient troops to keep the situation in hand.

In some respects Li Chai-sum has followed the example set by Chiang Kai-shek, namely, that of dealing most drastically with anybody of whose intentions there is the least doubt. Chiang Kai-shek used to tolerate potential rivals as far as possible, meanwhile making sure of his ground, and he would then expel them at the first opportunity.

Hereditary Weakness.

Like Chiang Kai-shek, Li Chai-sum has the fondness—a weakness hereditary to all militarists in China—of putting his most loyal partisans in positions of power.

But unlike Chiang Kai-shek, Li Chai-sum does not seem keen to enlarge his scope, either by conquest or by other means.

It may not be generally known that both General Li Chai-sum and General Wong Shu-hung are closely associated with important business concerns in the two Kwang provinces. They know well that disturbances will be detrimental to them, directly and indirectly, but Li Chai-sum gives the impression that he is prepared to put up with some annoyance rather than bring matters to a head.

No Alliance With Labour.

By comparative laxity towards the strike and boycott agitators, Li Chai-sum has shown that he will not risk a trial of strength in asserting his authority. In such a case the public suffers more than the Treasury. But when the Government is actively involved, as in the banknote crisis, he will risk offending a more influential and more numerous section of the community.

There is one good sign. Li Chai-sum places little reliance on agitators to secure for him the goodwill of the labour element. He has not carried favour from the labour unions to add to his popularity.

Encouraging Picture.

Trade in the metropolitan districts around Canton and generally in the West River delta is improving in spite of all kinds of obstacles and hindrances. No political trouble exists here and the same can be said of the Sze Yap area, a little further south. Up the West River conditions are not quite as good. The same cannot be said of the East River and North River areas.

Under Li Chai-sum Kwangtung may not progress politically or in a military sense, but the merchants can look forward to better times than they have had since Balkan (the western suburb of Canton City) was burned by troops under the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

COMING TO COLONY

To Establish Empire W. I. Stations.

"BIG" BROADCASTING.

Wireless Organizer's Ambitious Programme.

London, Aug. 22.

"My mission to the Dominions and the Colonies in October and November is to organise listeners-in and also to combine wireless organisations into an Empire Federation in order to force the pace for the provision of Empire broadcasting," said Mr. Hankey, late wireless officer of the China Squadron, when interviewed to-day.

"Unless we link them up," continued Mr. Hankey, "inter-imperial broadcasting will probably be delayed for two years. When we get an Empire Wireless organisation as powerful as the Automobile Association, we shall achieve something. Empire broadcasting is technically possible. The provision and equipment of such an organisation can effect regular transmission. Letters from listeners in throughout the Empire, including Australia, insistently requesting broadcasting from Britain. I am responsible for the discussion of the matter at the Colonial Conference, but, officially, no move has as yet been made to provide the necessary high power and shortwave station, for which Britain must procure funds.

Measuring The Forces. "The Wireless Association of Britain and the Wireless League will meet in September to merge their forces. After that it will expand and include representatives of Dominion and Colonial organisations as well as private individuals. At present a joint Committee is working in close touch with the Broadcasting Corporation.

"This Committee could be the chief advisory body and arrange an Empire programme, the times for transmissions, the most suitable apparatus for reception and interchange, and the most useful data, through a monthly bulletin issued to affiliated organisations and individuals whether stationed in Britain or elsewhere; for whether Empire broadcasting should be privately or State-owned has not been decided. Preferably it should be owned by an Empire Wireless Federation because it is likely to be more enterprising than if it is State-controlled. I believe such a station will cost \$20,000 annually.

24-Hour Service Daily. "If sufficient subscriptions are available such a station could easily be provided. The Wireless Association considers that a 24-hour service daily is desirable. It must be divided into two-hour transmissions to each Dominion and Colony which should previously be consulted regarding the programmes desired. "I am making experiments with Mr. Gerald Marcuse. My itinerary will include the Canaries, Cape Town, Rhodesia, Adelaide, Melbourne, Sydney, and possibly Port Darwin, after which I will go to Shanghai, Hong Kong, Singapore, Ceylon, India and Kenya. I hope to arrange for experimental transmissions on board ship to and from Britain, and also to form receiving stations in the countries visited."

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AMOY PANIC.

Captures by Communist Invaders.

OTHER CHINA WAR NEWS.

"Christian General" Giving Up Ground.

That the "Red" army from Kiangsi province is making for Amoy is the latest news received in Hong Kong about movements on the Kwangtung frontier.

This army was defeated by the Wu-Han forces in Kiangsi recently, following Wu-Han's declaration against Communism.

Failure to enter Kwangtung has probably influenced the "Red" army in invading Fukien. Inland Towns Captured. A cable from Shanghai credits the invaders with the capture of the inland towns of Tingchow, Shanghang and Ninghua. The vanguards had advanced (towards the Fukien coast) to Enting and Lungyen, two or three hundred miles from Amoy.

The "Kung Sheng Yat Po" states that martial law was declared in Amoy yesterday because of the impending danger.

AT WU-HAN.

Tang Seng-chi's Troops Lose to Communists.

Hankow, Yesterday. General Tang Seng-chi (8th Army) has returned here. The Communists at Puchiko are reported to have defeated the

troops sent to deal with their outbreak—British Naval Wireless.

[Note: The Communists are those who looted a train and stole \$150,000 which Tang Seng-chi was sending his men as a bonus for the Mooncake Festival. He sent an expedition against the train raiders.]

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NO BOYCOTT.

Canton's Trade With Britain.

"DIPLOMATIC INTERCOURSE."

Interference Deemed Inadvisable At Present.

Publicity was given in Canton yesterday to the abortive attempt by the Association for the Severance of Economic Relations with Britain to revive the anti-British boycott.

Supervision of imports and exports by pickets and the Association's examiners was to have been put in force on Thursday.

However, states the report, the "foreign affairs authorities" of Canton decided that such procedure was inadvisable at present, smoothness being essential in diplomatic intercourse.

Japanese Imports. Examination of imports by the anti-Japan Boycott Society continues, pickets being on duty at the West Bund, outside the Canton Customs examination shed.

On Thursday several cases imported by a stationer in the city were opened. These were found to contain ping-pong balls and harmoniums, marked "made in Germany." Samples were taken by the pickets.

Honan province, on the Lung-Hai Railway, Chengchow being at the junction of this line with the Peking-Hankow Railway.

The north of Honan province was annexed by the "Christian general" a few months ago after a campaign against the Fengtien Party of Peking.

Attackers Moving. Further to the report of the "Christian general" retiring from Kaifeng and Chengchow is a cable that his troops are moving westwards along the Lung-Hai Railway to Loyang, with a view to withdrawing into their own territory in Shensi province.

The Fengtien leaders in Peking and Marshal Sun Chuan-fang are discussing plans for an attack on the "Christian general" from several directions.

The subordinate generals in Honan province are still reported to be joining hands against the "Christian general" but there is no further news of any engagements.

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IS THAT SO?

Thoughts Terse, Perverse— and Worse.

BY "THE MAILMAN"

"D'ye ken John Begg?" asks a local advertisement. No, he hasn't come along yet.

The best thing to give a sea-sick man is an island.

Says Peter, one thing about these modern skirts—they don't want holding up when it rains.

Isaac — "Der wedding invitation says 'R.S.V.P.' Vot does it mean?"

Jacob. — "Ach! Such ignorance! Dot means to bring 'Real silver wedding presents.'"

The Peak tram stopped on Thursday morning, though business seemed to go on as usual in town.

A Scotsman, about to be married a second time, asked that the ceremony be performed in his chicken yard. He explained his strange request by saying that at the time of his first marriage his friends threw and wasted several pounds of rice.

Says Peter, wonder how anything so scarce got to be called common sense.

He married her for well or ill, As the old saying went, She wedded him, I do believe, To start an argument.

Anti-piracy problem—To grille or not to grille.

Talking about the Peak tram, how many residents remember this old un?

Important looking gentleman, running into station as tram commences to move: Hi, stop the car, stop the car! I'm the G.O.C. Inspector: Don't care a damn if you're G.O.C. We can't do it!

"To be Shot; Englishman amongst Condemned," says a heading. We must, of course, be in it.

The reporter who gravely inquired whether the Peak Lawn Bowls Club was entering the League certainly possesses more faith in human nature than knowledge of local life.

A.P.C. Archibald, pack the clothes!

The world fliers, we are informed, were in high spirits in Japan. Need keep everything high for their kind of job.

Father (seeing mother in bathing costume for first time) — "My God!"

American girl workers are said to spend 46 per cent. of their earnings on clothes. They should come to Hong Kong and save over half of it.

Says Peter, he's been married 24 years and never had a row in the house. They always go into the back yard.

A girl who had 122 pairs of silk stockings in a year could not tell where the money for them came from. Maybe her neighbours could.

"Positions vacant," announces a contemporary heading. Applicants must state vat can do.

The horse that covered a sixpence with its hoof in Aberdeen is dead (see latest tables).

Chicago always catches it. Twenty-five have died in a widespread heat wave, whilst places like New York have escaped without casualties.

Says Peter, there's something in the Chinese proverb about not trusting a squint-eyed man.

An easy buyer is usually a poor payer.

This may hurt a little, said the absent-minded dentist as he changed from his rubber to his will be over in ten minutes.

Piracy Prevention Ordinance — Passing the Pill to Others.

Did you know that the thin after thirty live longer than the fat after forty?

"Police Reserve," says a headline. Particularly in evidence regarding the proposed international company.

Mrs. Newbride — "Boo-hoo! John threw a cake at me. One I made myself, too!"

Mother Dear. — "The brute! He might have killed you!"

There might be cases, says Sir Joseph Kemp, where a person in possession of liquor would have difficulty in proving that duty on it had been paid. . . . or in proving anything else!

So that "Peace Conference" has turned into a tea party. . . . and may most likely end in a kind of dog fight.

America is very angry over the new French tariffs. . . . her sons, it is said, may refuse to continue to die in Paris.

Says Peter, the more a man uses his brains the less time he has to talk.

We never hear of what a fine local Government we've got until the Budget debate comes along.

After the Governor's reference to such mundane things, as Kowloon's needs, the Colonial Secretary seems to have lifted the Budget debate to a sphere of high thought and clear understanding, particularly when he asserted that "even loans have to be paid for."

An old shirt of Rudolph Valentino's, says the "China Mail," is being kept by a woman admirer in a gold-embroidered casket. . . . Peter says there's a pair of socks past mending about his house somewhere.

Love is said to be the greatest thing in the world, but Peter says it isn't quite great enough to make a young thing marry a poor old man.

A pretty young thing from the city had been staying on a farm for a few weeks. Seeing some calves running across a pasture, she exclaimed, "Oh, what pretty cowlets."

"Yes, miss," drawled the farmer, pulling his moustache to conceal a smile, "they are pretty, but they're bullets."

It is noted that the Cameronians, when they left for Home last week made sure to get some of the Pay Corps on the boat with them.

A writer in a contemporary asserts that his efficiency in love making has never been questioned. . . . he ought to live in Kowloon for a spell.

Whitely Smith and his boys seem to have shaken things up in the Colony. . . . particularly the sweet young ones.

Might not that mechanical device which has been "borrowed" for, as Mr. Shenton says, keeping the public of the Colony presumably in the right path, be returned to its owner?

Percy Peckitt — "I have a great dog. Why, you can take him a mile away and let him loose and he will find me."

Willie Wanchai — "Well, why don't you take a bath?"

The unwritten law has got many a man out of trouble, and the unwritten love letter has kept many a one from getting into it.

Many a man would be troubled with chronic insomnia if he knew what other people knew about him.

A dog fancier says — "Treat a dog with kindness. Put him a bit of food in his bowl, and he will never leave you. The same system sometimes works awfully well with husbands."

HONG KONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting Machine, which includes 40 components for the better prediction of tides, from the result of the analysis of the tidal observations, taken at the Kaulung tidal observatory under the direction of Dr. Dobereck during the years 1887, 1888, & 1889.

China is doing practically nothing, and the troubles in Shanghai are increasing the difficulties, so much so that prospects of any improvement in the near future, are very remote.

The progress of the Cotton Yarn Association is still being watched with interest and the next few weeks should show whether these spinners will be able to maintain their position. They have been subjected to a lot of criticism from many quarters, but it must not be forgotten that the spinning section of the trade had got into such a hopeless position that something had to be done.



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"	28	20	18	Eggs, Hen (coo
"	28	24	22	Eggs, Hen (fre
"	40	80	85	Fowls, Canton
"	40	26	20	Fowls, Hainan
set	15	10	12	Geese
	35	50	60	

each	85	50	50	Pigeons, Canton
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lb. 24	13	14	—	Turkeys, Hen
" 84	20	18	—	Snipe
each 8	10	12	—	Pheasant

"	15	16	12	Quail
"	28	20	22	Partridges ..
lb.	24	18	14	
"	7	8	7	
Net	\$1.20	\$1.00	\$1.00	

lb.	48	28	—	
"	48	28	—	
"	48	24	—	
"	46	—	—	
"	85	—	27	Almonds
"	8	12		Apples (Calif.)
				Bananas (brid)

set	3	12			
lb.	18	15	—		Carambola ...
"	23	15	18		Cocoanuts ...
"	16	20	—		Lemons, China
each	15	10	10		Lemons (Ame
"	15	10	8		Lichees, Dried

lb	52	80	24	Oranges (Canton)
"	85	25	23	Oranges
"	85	—	—	Pears (Canton)
"	88	60	70	Peanuts
"	26	21	—	Persimmons, I
per wet	85	60	70	Plantain

each	12	8	7
"	15	12	10
"	46	26	25
lb.	20	25	22
"	80	20	18
"		22	22

46	28	28
86	20	19
40	20	20
82	—	—

Articlebooks ..
 Beans: Sorrento ..

lb.	34	19	24	Beans, Sprinkled
"	30	20	16	" Long
"	28	18	16	Beet Root ..
"	10	16	27	Bitter Squash
				Brinjals, Green
				" Red

"	36	12	9	Cabbage, Chin
"	42	20	25	" (Sh)
"	40	23	26	Cane Shoots,
"	28	16	2	Cauliflower (1
"	52	23	16	" (1

"	28	10	9	"	Carrots
"	14	10	8	"	Celery, Chinese
"	34	16	—	"	Chillies, Dried
"	28	10	18	"	Red
"	46	26	30	"	Green
"	35	32	25		

"	70	40	30	Curry Stuff, 1
"	30	18	15	Cucumbers ..
"	35	22	18	Garlic
"	26	18	23	Ginger, Young
"	36	22	18	" Old

"	65	22	24	Horseradish,
"	56	32	21	Indian Corn
"	30	20	23	Lettuce
"	40	32	23	Water Chestnut
"	32	18	2	"
"	45	14	22	"

"	20	10	9	Mushrooms, A
"	28	14	9	Okroes
"	38	20	15	Onions, Bomb
"	18	16	9	" Green
"	42	28	14	" Shang
"	36	26	29	Paraley

42	36	30	Potato, Sweet
75	36	45	" Japan
14	10	24	" American
22	18	18	Pumpkin . . .
36	22	16	Radish . . .
36	36	30	

"	68	80	100	Rhubarb
"	16	8	10	Shallots
"	14	10	10	Spinach
"	55	26	85	Tomatoes
"	64	32	80	Taro
"	26	22	25	Turnips

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NOTIFICATION.

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A. J. HOPE,
Assistant-in-Charge, temporarily,
Chinese Maritime Customs,
Kowloon & District.

York Buildings,
Hong Kong, 16th Sept., 1927.

KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS will be held in THE CLUB HOUSE

on
TUESDAY, the 27th Sept., 1927,
at 5.30 p.m.

BUSINESS:
Report and accounts 1926-1927.
Election of Officers 1927-1928.
General.

By Order of the Committee,
J. P. ROBINSON,
Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, 17th September, 1927.

THE MACAO RACE CLUB.

DRAFT Programme and Entry Forms for a Gymkhana Race Meeting to be held on SUNDAY, 18th September, 1927 (weather permitting), may be obtained from the International Race and Recreation Club of Macao, Ltd.

Entries will close on SATURDAY, 17th September, 1927 at 4 p.m.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT Programmes and Entry Forms for the SIXTH EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, 8th October, 1927, & MONDAY, 10th October, 1927 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hong Kong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries will close at Twelve O'clock Noon, on SATURDAY, 24th September, 1927.
Hong Kong, 2nd September, 1927.

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AT THE HAPPY VALLEY
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FINAL MATCHES OF THE
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Saturday—September 17.
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By Order,
A. H. ABBAS,
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NOTICE.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF
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Miscellaneous Proceedings.
No. 23 of 1927.

IN THE MATTER of
THE CHINA PROVIDENT
LOAN AND MORTGAGE
COMPANY, LIMITED, &
REDUCED

and
IN THE MATTER of
the Companies Ordinance
1911.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Petition presented to the Supreme Court of Hong Kong on the 18th day of September, 1927, for confirming the reduction of the Capital of the above mentioned Company from \$8,000,000.00 to \$3,000,000.00 is directed to be heard before His Honour Mr. John Roskrug, Wood, Acting Chief Justice, on Monday, the 24th day of October, 1927, at 10.30 a.m.

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THE YOUNGSTERS.

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AND M. C. L.

THEIR USE AND AIM.

Many years ago the present writer was organizing a collection among children for the Little Folks Convalescent Home. One small boy wrote enclosing a postal order with the following letter:—
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The spirit of this youthful hero is not unique. Children are full of pity, full of enthusiasm, full of desire to help the poor and suffering. It is only necessary to appeal to their imaginations and the warm heart of youth overflows in sympathy.

In the East it is more necessary even than at home to evoke this spirit of social service for children hence every temptation to become self-centred and spoilt. Their lives are much more artificial. They do not know the delights of playing in fields of daisies and buttercups or getting on friendly terms with village children—or even with dogs, pigs, cows and poultry. They have to be careful not to play out in the hot sun, they are always under the eye of an amah, they go for prim walks along asphalt paths, they are waited on by adoring servants. Therefore the M. C. L. steps in to help the Parent who fears the development of "spoilt darlings."

The Ministering Children's League—the oldest children's Society in the Empire—is worked, wide in its endeavours, and in Hong Kong it has taken firm roots. Last year in spite of boycott difficulties it raised \$14,000 for distribution among local and home charities. This year we hope by means of the Fun O' The Fair to increase this sum substantially.

The Hong Kong Women's Guild was founded as a support to the M. C. L. It fulfils a double purpose. It strengthens the work of the children by enlisting the interest and membership of their mothers and aunts and sisters and it is a means of bringing all communities together in an effort for the common-weal, one of the pleasantest features of the preliminary work for the Fun O' The Fair has been the splendid way in which all communities have joined generously in the scheme.

It may be well to remind the public that the M. C. L. has assisted the following charities in the past:—

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CINEMA NOTES.

QUEEN'S THEATRE'S NOTABLE
FILM.

A MAGNIFICENT BALL.

The film version of Sir James Barrie's famous story "A Kiss For Cinderella" will be screened at the Queen's Theatre for the last time to-day. Few pictures have required such care in the casting, especially for the ballroom scene. The task of selecting the 400 extras who appear in this spectacular episode was a matter of two week's work on the part of the director, who personally interviewed at least 1,500 people in making his final selection. More than twenty different types had to be chosen—courtiers, London policemen, bridesmaids, coachmen, footmen, postillions, pages, chefs—in fact every sort of person who might occur to the childish imagination of Cinderella. But all the time, effort, energy and money spent in perfecting the thousand and one details of the ballroom scene are more than compensated by the finished scene which is wonderfully beautiful and delightfully amusing.

Jackie Coogan.

Showing for the last time at the World Theatre to-day is Jackie Coogan's entertaining picture, "The Rag Man," in which the famous boy actor plays the part of an orphan who befriends a junk shop keeper and helps him to win the fortune out of which he has been cheated by a dishonest lawyer. The picture is one that can be enjoyed by young and old alike.

"The Golden Cocoon."

"Can a man make as great a sacrifice for the woman he loves as a woman for the man she loves?" is a question raised by "The Golden Cocoon," the chief film in the continuous programme at the Star Theatre to-day. The leading players are Huntly Gordon and Helene Chadwick.

Orphan Homes of Scotland (Quarriers), Imperial Merchant Service Guild, Evelyn Hospital for Children, London Hospital Children's Ward, Officers' Families' Fund, Society for Providing Homes for Waifs and Strays, Shaftesbury Homes and "Arethusa" Training Ship.

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CALCUTTA via SINGAPORE, PENANG & RANGOON.			
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SERIES OF ADVENTURES.

A passenger on the s.s. "Kutwo" of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s fleet has furnished the "C. C. Post" with the following account of incidents which occurred during the journey from Shanghai. It indicates the lawlessness of the Southern soldiers in a striking way.

A Delayed Start.

At the very commencement of the journey there was a delay of some hours as the Chinese Nationalists had declared martial law at Wusung in order to prevent a repetition of the attack on the Woosung Fort by the Northern navy. The delay was not important in itself but it led to the "Woosung" arriving at Chinkiang after the convey for the day had left so about twenty-four hours had to be spent there.

Shots At The Bridge.

During the night before the "Kutwo" reached Chinkiang she had been compelled to anchor for a time. It seems that martial law had been proclaimed at one point on the river, but instead of sending out a notice or letting a launch convey the order, the Southern military simply fired at the bridge of the steamer. The Captain had just stepped back under a sudden impulse when one of the shots crossed the bridge from end to end.

"Ladybird" in Action.

Late in the afternoon H.M.S. "Ladybird" arrived at Chinkiang with the down-river steamers. It was at once obvious that she had been in action. Enquiries elicited the fact that the vessels under her care had been fired upon from both banks. She had replied with her six-inch guns as well as with her other equipment.

A Gallant Rescue.

The six vessels that had assembled fell into line at six a.m. on Friday, expecting to leave under the care of the "Ladybird". But the start was delayed till H.M.S. "Wolverine" and "Wolverine" had arrived and under this powerful escort the journey to Nanking was accomplished in quietness. In the course of the day three Chinese fishermen were seen floating down stream on a wrecked boat. The Imperialistic "Wolverine" at once altered her course and intercepted the wreckage from which she hailed the fishermen. They came from a village on the river bank and later in the day the "Wolverine" stopped in her course while British blue-jackets rowed the fishermen back to their home. Good old navy! Fired at one day and returning good for evil on the next.

Troop Movements.

The passengers were interested all day on Friday to see the movements of the Northern troops. Chinkiang had looked very subdued and some soldiers were seen digging a small trench on the bank. Above Chinkiang on the North side there were hundreds of junks full of Northern soldiers. The junks were evidently waiting for a signal to move and there was no sign of life on the South bank.

Some distance above Chinkiang about a thousand Northern soldiers were seen marching down the South bank towards Chinkiang, and there was no sign of any opposition to their progress.

Nanking looked very deserted, and with the exception of one flag on Lion Hill not a single Southern flag was to be seen. There were fifteen empty transports waiting at Chinkiang, but practically no shipping on either bank at Nanking.

Seven Exciting Miles.

Leaving Chinkiang without escort the "Kutwo" soon left the other five vessels behind. All went well until she was seven miles below Wuhu a little before midnight. She was near the South bank which is pretty high at that point. Without the least warning, soldiers on this bank began to fire steadily at the saloon deck and the firing was continued, with one brief lull, for fifty-five minutes. Soldiers in boats joined in the attack.

The Captain took no time to dress but dashed to the bridge in his bare feet. The steamer put on full speed, expecting every minute to get out of the danger zone. But the troops were bent on murder and for seven miles the firing was taken up by squad after squad.

The passengers behaved splendidly. The conduct of the women and children was splendid, though the patter of the bullets on the plating and the crash as shots came within the defences was unnerving. In all about fifty-six bullets reached the roof on the sides of the saloon and cabins, as the height from which the shots were fired enabled a large number to pass above the plating.

Through Four Walls.

Besides shots which buried themselves in the ice chest, and in the saloon door, and dented the lifeboats, one particularly vicious bullet went through the wooden wall into the ladies' bathroom, out into the corridor, through both sides of the ventilating shaft and into the ceiling over the men's bathroom. That bullet missed a lady passenger by a foot.

It is understood that the s.s. "Slangwo" will have an even more serious story to tell, as she relies on the steel walls of her cabins and not on plates fixed outside her promenade decks. As the result the bullets fired from the high bank would smash the cabin windows and place the passengers in jeopardy.

On the "Kutwo" the only person hit was a Chinese tallyman whose back was cut open by a splinter of a bullet. He is getting on all right.

It is understood that as the result of this dastardly attack, which probably included other vessels, the convoy system will be extended and steamers will move in daylight and anchor at night under escort.

The passengers are all deeply sensible of the heroic efforts for their safety made by the Captain and his staff, and rejoice that this murderous onslaught has not resulted in any injury to them. Slangwo Badly Damaged. Evidently whetted by the dastardly way they fired on the "Kutwo", the Southern forces stationed below Wuhu concentrated still further energy on an attack on the s.s. "Slangwo" which was following, and for an hour and a half the steamer was made the target of massed riflemen on both banks of the river. When she came into

port she bore ample evidence of the determined effort of the soldiery to obtain casualties, for there was hardly a window whole while such things as ventilators and funnel casing, which are made of thinner metal, were amply perforated. The deck houses on the "Slangwo" are of steel construction, but this left the decks open. It was therefore most fortunate that no casualties resulted, for no less than 67 hits were later counted on the bridge and promenade decks.

The outrage took place about ten miles below Wuhu. This part of the river had been reported safe, and in consequence the warships which had been conveying the merchantmen from Chinkiang dropped off at Nanking. The Southerners cannot offer any adequate excuse for their action, for this part of the river had not been declared under martial law. Thus, without having received any warning, the "Slangwo" continued on her way till about ten o'clock at night, when a shot was fired from the bank and narrowly missed two of the foreign passengers on board. A little later another rifle bullet hit the promenade deck. Then came the concert, which although chiefly coming from the south bank, had also an accompaniment from the north shore. The shooting was deadly, and the passengers lying for safety on the decks were nearly deafened by the bang of bullets on the iron. It would seem that the riflemen were chiefly aiming at the bridge, and one bullet hit the middle pane of glass sending it to smithereens. But for the protective sheet of iron, the quartermaster at the wheel would have been killed. Other windows on the bridge were broken, while the port light received two bullets. The Captain's cabin had one right across the ship from one door to the other, while his ventilator was perforated by two bullets. Further along the funnel had five shots. On the saloon deck, hardly a cabin had a whole window, while a bullet entering one of the officer's cabins broke a waterpipe with the result that the room was flooded.

Courage of Ship's Officers. When the ship reached Wuhu it was definitely proved that it was Southern troops who did the firing. Here it was learned that troops went out at night and lined the point below the place. There could be no other reason for doing such a thing but to fire on upward bound traffic. Both on the Kutwo and the Slangwo passengers have no praise high enough for the conduct of the officers on board these vessels. Right through the trying period they remained cool and even calmly walked the bullet-swept deck to see that the passengers were safe. It is only natural therefore that those who experienced the unpleasant incidents were caustic in their comments on the deliberate outrage. The "Shan" which was the third vessel following, it is feared was also shot up, but to what extent is not known.

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EMPERESS OF ASIA	Nov. 16	Nov. 19	Nov. 22	Nov. 25	Dec. 4
EMPERESS OF CANADA	Dec. 7	Dec. 10	Dec. 13	Dec. 16	Dec. 25
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EMPERESS OF ASIA	Jan. 25	Jan. 28	Jan. 31	Feb. 3	Feb. 12
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SHUNKO MARU	Wednesday, 19th October.
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BINGO MARU	Sunday, 25th September.
SEATTLE MARU	Tuesday, 25th October.
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ALABAMA MARU (From Shanghai).	Saturday, 24th September.
HAIPHONG—via HOIHOW & PAKHOI.	
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TAIKWA MARU	Tuesday, 11th Oct., 10 a.m.
JAPAN PORTS	
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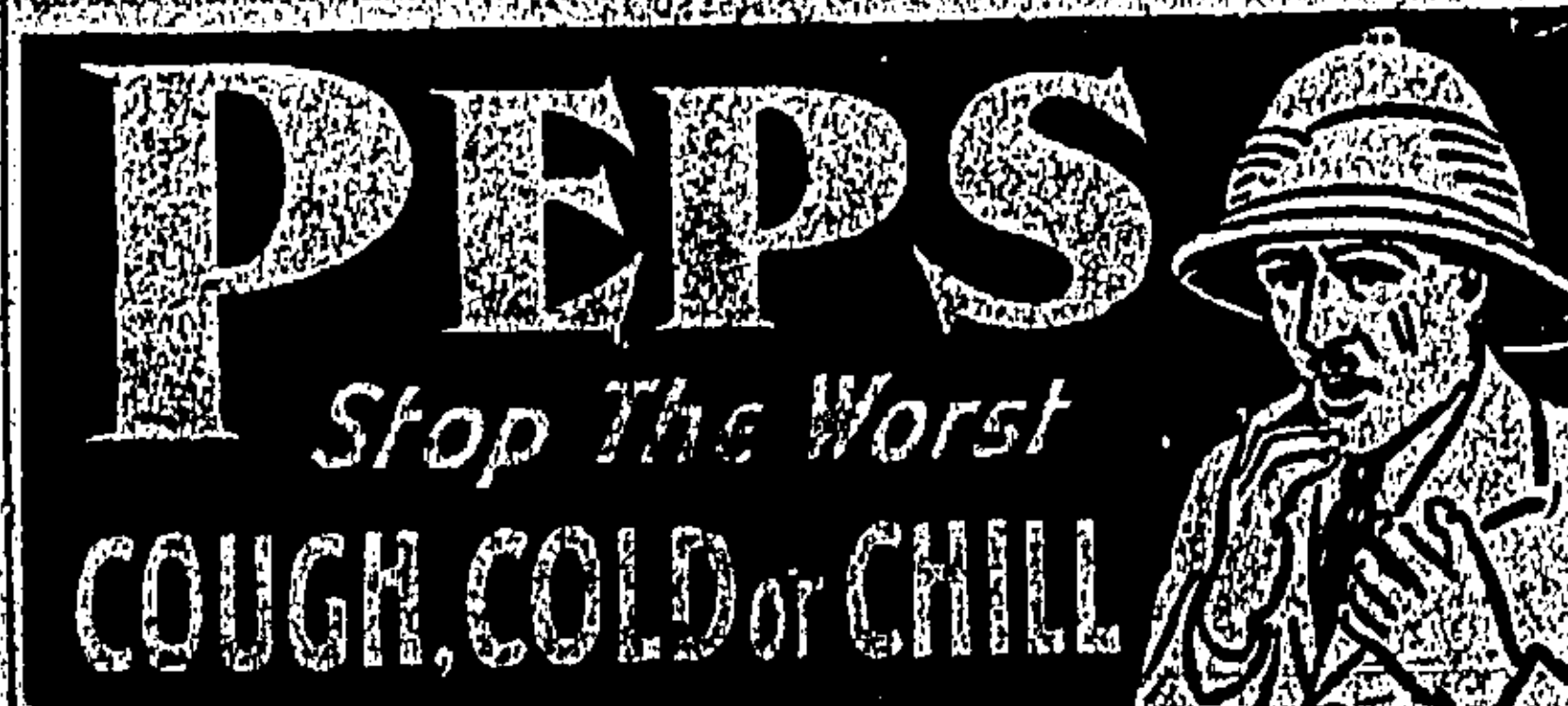
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NYANZA	7,023	12th Oct.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
MALWA	10,986	15th Oct.	Marseilles & London
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MACEDONIA	11,120	18th Nov.	Marseilles & London
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ST. ALBANS	4,500	30th Sept.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Australia.
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MANTUA	10,946	12th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KRYER	9,135	19th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KASHGAR	9,005	26th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
ST. ALBANS	4,500	6th Dec.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
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MALWA	10,986	9th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KHYBER	9,114	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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The chairman of the board, Mr. Daly, explained that the revenue of the board had recently been affected by adverse legal decisions, and he proposed the resolution to meet the situation. It was necessary to inquire into revenue, as they had to carry on the work of the port and the dredging of the river.

The board had an application from Messrs. Dowdall Ltd., requesting a refund of 1s. 1d. per ton on a consignment of flour brought in the U.S. steamer "Hatteras," which appeared in the manifest as "flour," but was really "middlings."

The Chairman stated the manifest was the document they had to go by.

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The general feeling amongst shipbuilders was that any increase would not be to the advantage of the workmen, and there was a strong feeling that the way in which the shipbuilding workmen could be helped was for their brothers in the sheltered trades to do their part in the reduction of costs.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The P. & O. s.s. "Kalyan" from Hong Kong arrived London on September 15 at noon.

The P. & O. s.s. "Talma" is due here to-day at p.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Kidderpore" left Shanghai for this port on September 14 at 7 a.m. with the Mails, and is due here on Monday at about 6 p.m.

The M.V. s.s. "Japan" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Antwerp on September 2, and is due here on or about October 12.

The M.V. s.s. "Romolo" (D. & Co.) sailed from Suez on October 6, and is expected here on October 13.

The s.s. "Kendal Castle" (Doddwell & Co., Ltd.) sailed from New York on September 20, and is expected here on October 14.

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S.S. "Capitaine Faure" September 20.

S.S. "General Meisner" October 11.

S.S. "St. Klara" October 21.

S.S. "Sphinx" October 25.

S.S. "Porthea" November 9.

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J. LIMAGE,
Agent.

Hong Kong, 17th September, 1927.

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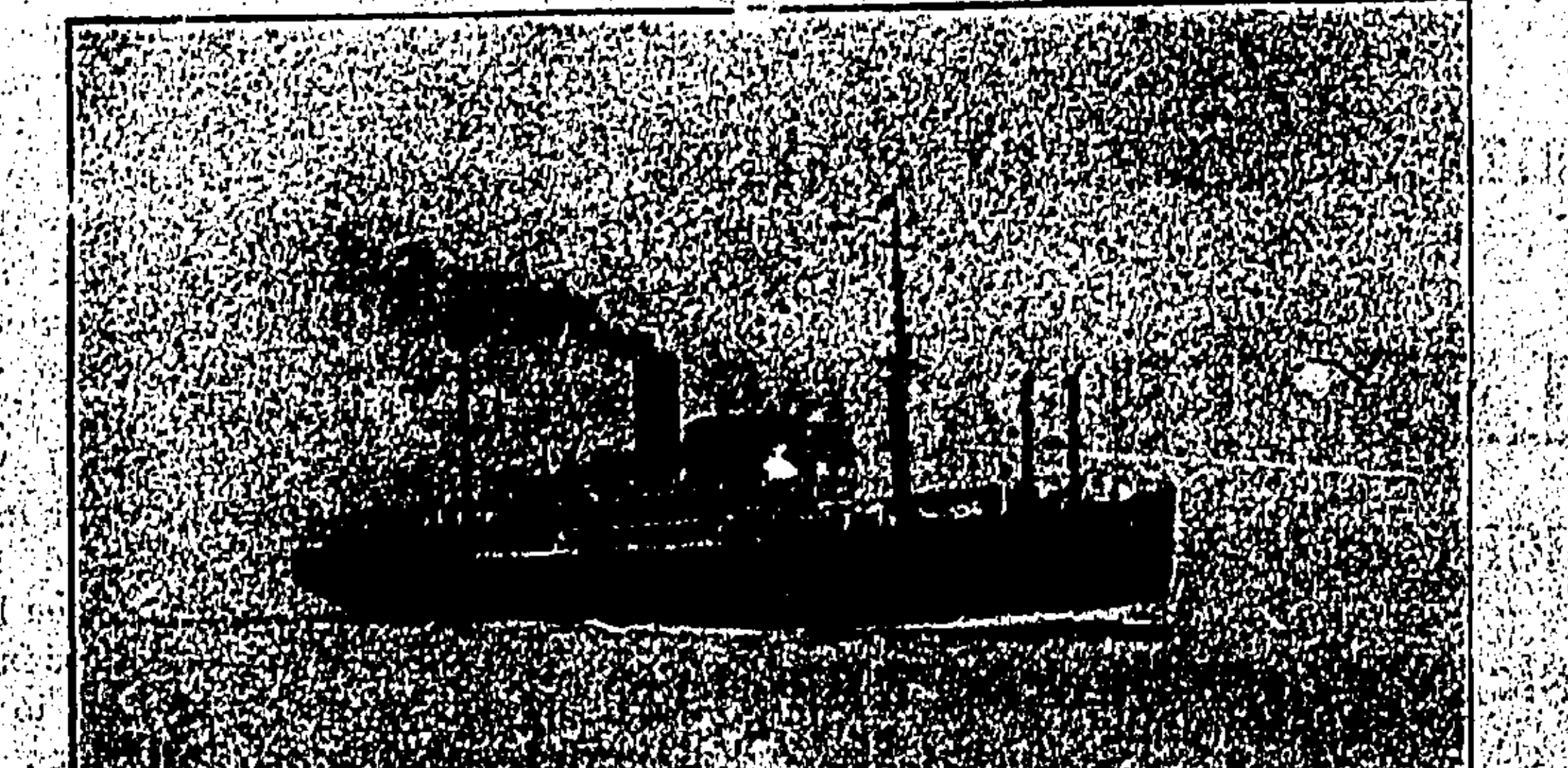
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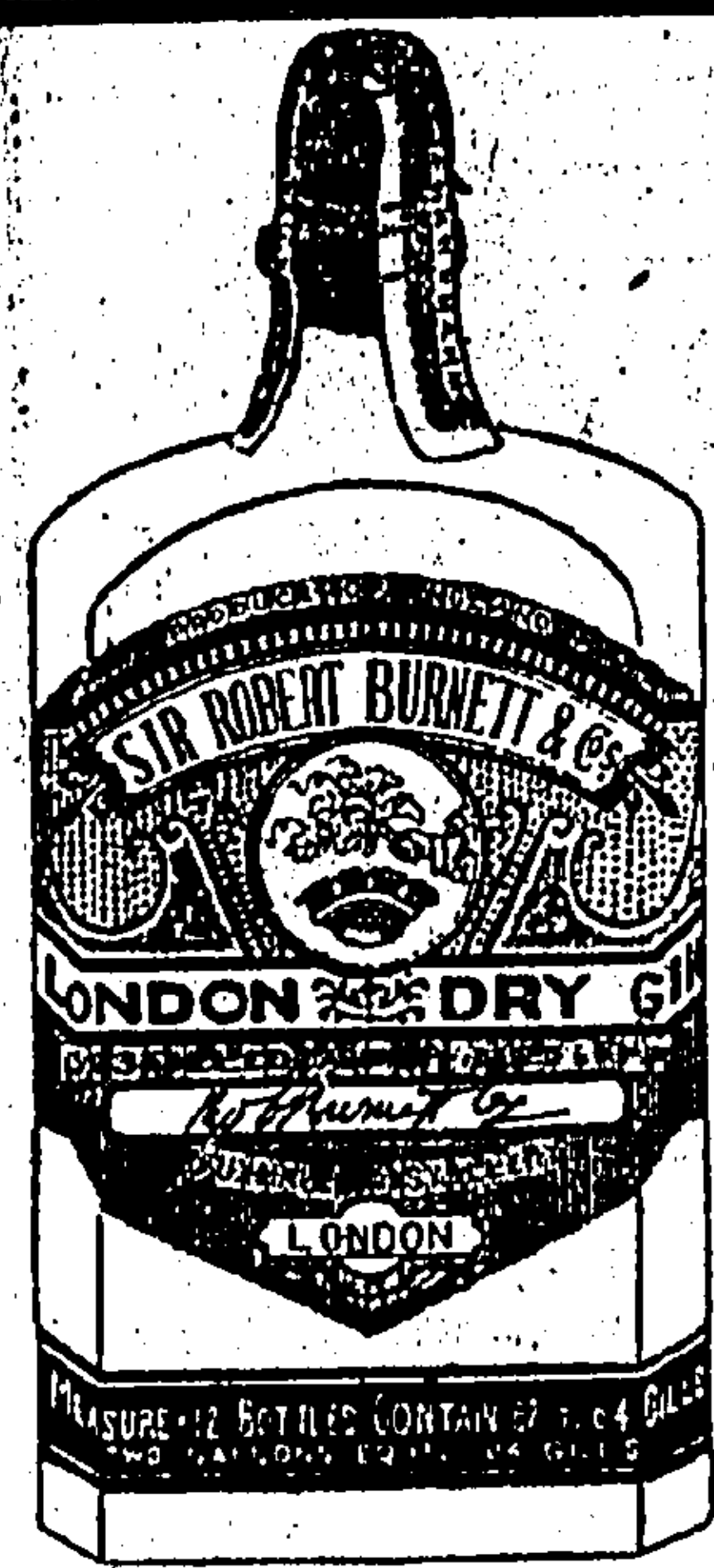
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MEMORIAL MEETING.

A Memorial Meeting of the
late Mr. O. Yauhsueh will be
held on Sunday, September 18,
1927, at 3 p.m. sharp at the
Hong Kong University Union.
Relatives and Friends are
kindly requested to attend.
Flower-wreaths and Memorial
scrolls should be sent to the
Clark, Hong Kong University
Union, NOT later than three
hours before the Commemora-
tion of the Meeting.
WONG KWOK-PONG,
(Hon. Sec.)
Government Vernacular School.

Hong Kong, Saturday, Sept. 17, 1927.

A SATURDAY CAUSERIE.

Having entertained the world
fliers, Brock and Schlee, in
the course of a remarkable
flight which has earned them
world-wide congratulations, Hong
Kong has taken a close personal
interest in their progress after
leaving the Colony. Hopes for a
successful completion of the Pacific
flight were not confined to the
American community alone and,
whatever our feelings as to the
advisability of the course which
was more or less forced on them,
there will be widespread sym-
pathy with the gallant aviators in
the bitter disappointment they
have experienced. The Pacific
flight undertaking would have
involved a grave risk which in the
case of Schlee, a married man
with a family dependent on him,
would have been unjustified in the
light of their opposition to the
continuation of the flight. Not
only is the crossing from Japan to
San Francisco nearly double the
distance of that from New-
foundland to England, but the
aviators would have experienced
the Pacific at its worst in view of
the adverse weather conditions at
this time of the year. The
thought of such a risk might

well make the stoutest heart
quail and it will be to their ever-
lasting glory that Brock and
Schlee were undaunted at the
prospect even after nearly three
weeks of almost unparalleled
strain. Under the influence of
the imploring message of nearest
relatives they have given up their
project but their names will long
perpetuate an achievement which,
although incomplete, is a standing
testimony to the survival of the
pioneering spirit under which
men will endure hardship and
face overwhelming odds in order
that the torch of progress may be
handed from one generation to
another.

Owing largely to the lack of
any very great changes in Gov-
ernmental policy for the coming
year, the first reading of the
Budget Bill was noteworthy
chiefly for its extremely smooth
passage. Apart from the Hon.
Mr. Shenton's references to the
needs of Kowloon in respect of the
Star Ferry approaches and Bath-
ing Beach facilities and of Kow-
loon Tong in respect of market
provisions, the only other voice
raised in opposition was that of
the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, who
considers that the proposed school
fees increases are unjustified.
It is obvious, as Dr. Kotewall
pointed out, that the value of
State education cannot be assessed
in terms of dollars and it is
equally apparent from the repeat-
ed assurances of His Excellency
that the Government realises that
money spent on education is of
the utmost value to British in-
terests in China. The Govern-
ment proposals do not, however,
provide for a reduction in admin-
istrative expenses which might
legitimately be opposed on the
grounds of danger of decreased
efficiency. The proposal is merely
to bring the fees for certain high-
er training more in accord with
those charged for similar training
provided in non-Government in-
stitutions. The Unofficials and
Officials are agreed on the neces-
sity for economy and if the educa-
tion department can be made less
of a cost on the Colony without
pressing unduly on poorer parents,
a very useful purpose will have
been served. It will be seen from
the Director of Education's re-
port for the year that revenue
collected for school fees amounted
last year to \$109,464 whereas the
expenditure (not including the
heavy charges on school build-
ings) amounted to \$910,083. If
it is possible to reduce this heavy
charge on the Colony's finances
during the coming year without
impairing efficiency, there will be
a very welcome reduction in the

for financing works which are re-
cognised as urgent but for which
in the present times of financial
stringency there are not sufficient
funds available.

It was in April last that the
"Sunning" Piracy Commission
expressed the unanimous opinion
that the responsibility for anti-
piracy internal precautions and
organisation on ships should be
thrown back on the owners who,
by seeking the co-operation of
their officers and considering
their views, would at least be able
to ensure that confidence in the
arrangements which the Piracy
Prevention Ordinance of 1924
failed to evoke. The Government
has now followed the main lines of
the Commission's proposals, in-
cluded in which are many which
formed the basis of the minority
report prepared by the represen-
tatives of the Chambers of Com-
merce and combined Coast
Officers' and Engineers' Guilds
who withdrew from the 1924
Committee. Whilst the owners
will in future be less encumbered
by official regulations, which, in
respect of the grilles at any rate,
constituted a grave menace to
passengers in the event of ship-
wreck or collision, it is by no
means intended that the Govern-
ment should do nothing. If the
spirit of the Commission's report
is carried out to its fulfilment,
the Government will continue to
press, as it has in the past, for all
possible patrolling and the taking
of independent action by the
Navy as called for on the river
and around spots such as Bias
Bay; to encourage the installation
of wireless, consider the desir-
ability of making it compulsory
and facilitate its employment by
such methods as the reduction to
a minimum of transmission
charges; to continue to make the
Colony an unhealthy centre for
pirates by search and detective
operations afloat and ashore; and,
in addition, to afford all such ad-
vice and assistance towards the
making of satisfactory arrange-
ments on board as it may be pos-
sible to provide.

CORRESPONDENCE.

EMPIRE BROADCASTING.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—Considerable controversy
has arisen regarding the immedi-
ate need of facilities for Empire
Broadcasting, and it has been
strongly questioned whether the
time is yet ripe for definite
movement in this direction.

From the weight of opinion
continually received from the
Colonies and elsewhere, it is ap-
parent to us that the need was
never greater than now. There-
fore, representing the Wireless
Association, I am arranging a
personal visit to the Dominions
and Colonies in order to obtain
first hand technical and ques-
tionnaire evidence on this ques-
tion. This visit will culminate
in the formation of an Empire
Broadcasting Association in or-
der to deal with every aspect of
the matter.

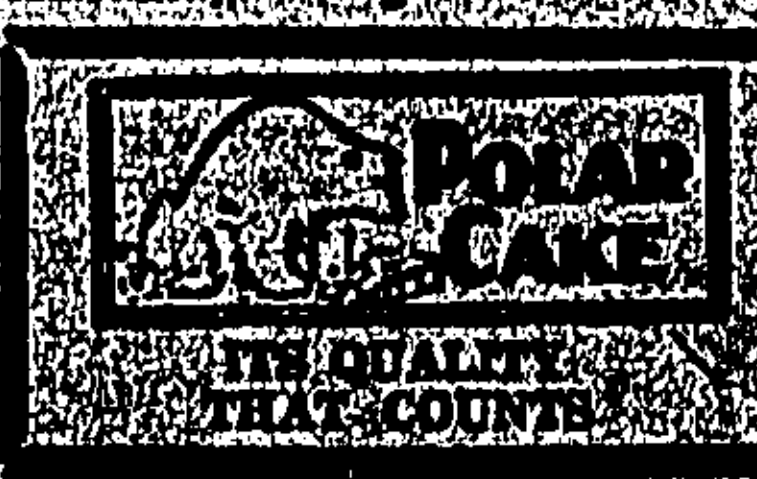
Yours, etc.
H. A. HANKEY.
London, Aug. 17, 1927.

MISS M. J. FRANCO.

FUNERAL AT CATHOLIC CEMETERY.

The funeral at the Roman
Catholic Cemetery yesterday of
Miss M. J. Franco was attended
by near relatives and a few
friends.

The Rev. Father Rossi officiated.
Among wreaths sent were
those from the following:—
Eva, Stella, Arthur and Peggie;
sister Fanny; his sorrowing god-
son, Frederick James; Bert and
Lottie; Paul; sister Carmen; Mary
and Gertrude; Pat and Marie; Mr.
and Mrs. A. A. M. Rodriguez;
L. E. Ozorio; W. Gardner and
family; Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Mahr;
Mr. and Mrs. P. J. M. Rodriguez;
Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Mary Lee;
M. M. L. de Faria; J. L. de
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thusiasm. The dislike for this
"straight stuff" is occasioned by its
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presentation. Now, however, we
have a company in Hong Kong, the
Forbes Russell Co., which, judging
from its opening performance at
the Theatre Royal last night, can
give us plays of quality as they
should be given.

"The Last of Mrs. Cheyne" was
the piece presented yesterday even-
ing, and Miss April Vivian, a youth-
ful, refreshing and capable actress,
splendidly filled the name role.
The part of Lady Joan was taken by
Miss Beryl Sidney, and Miss Grace
Ray made a capital Mrs. Ebber.
Charles was undertaken by Mr.
Forbes Russell, and very well done,
as were all the male parts.

To-night the company is present-
ing "Bluebird's Eighth Wife."

CONCERT AT CHEER O

LOCAL ARTISTES AMUSE TROOPS.

There was a very enjoyable
concert given at the above
canteen last evening and arranged
by Mrs. C. P. F. James. Among
the artistes who kindly
contributed to the programme
was Mrs. R. Sanger (the
soldiers' favourite) who had to
sing many songs before the boys
were satisfied. Another friend
of the soldiers and sailors was
Mrs. Davenport Brown, who
sang very sweetly. Solos were
also rendered by Mr. A. M.
Horder, Mr. Schiff, Mr. Soxon
while another well known friend,
Mr. G. W. C. Burnett, as usual
kept the boys very much amused
with his comic songs and
monologues.

Dance.
On Friday, September 30,
Mrs. A. T. Hamilton's night at
the above canteen, a dance will
be held for the boys arranged by
Mrs. C. P. F. James and Miss
Francis Stevenson, commencing
at 7.30 till 10 p.m. Community
Singing from 6.30—7.30 p.m.

An interesting incident took
place yesterday in the "Better
Ole," the Naval and Military
Y.M.C.A. in Peking Road, Kow-
loon. Two smiling soldiers, one
belonging to the Scots Guards
and the other to the Devons, came
up to the counter, arm in arm,
and told the lady worker that
they were brothers and had just
met after a separation of 10
years. This re-union is remark-
able for the transport on which
the brother of the Devons was re-
turning to India was only in
Kowloon for a short while and
neither knew the whereabouts of
the other.

KING BORIS.

INCognito VISIT TO ENGLAND.

London, Yesterday.
King Boris of Bulgaria, which
country was the enemy of Great
Britain in the last war, laid a
wreath on the grave of the British
Unknown Soldier in Westminster
Abbey. He was accompanied by
four members of the Bulgarian
Legation staff.

King Boris, whose visit to this
country is incognito, has been
staying with Sir Alexander Kay
Muir and Lady Muir at Blair
Drummond, Perthshire. Lady
Muir is a daughter of the former
Bulgarian Minister in London.
His Majesty visited King George
and Queen Mary at Balmoral on
Tuesday, remaining until yester-
day, when he came to London tra-
velling as an ordinary passenger
on the night express from Aber-
deen—British Naval Wireless.

RELIGIOUS INSULTS.

GOVT. OF INDIA BILL DISCUSSED.

Simla, Yesterday.
The Assembly has read for the
first time the Government Bill pro-
hibiting attacks on the founders of
religions, the operative clause of
which lays down a penalty of two
years' imprisonment plus a fine for
deliberate insults, whether written
or spoken, or otherwise, against the
religion of any other class of His
Majesty's subjects.—Renter.

FLOODS IN RUSSIA.

Twenty Thousand Homeless.

Riga, Aug. 19.
Damage to the extent of £1,000,
000 has been caused by the storms
and floods in the Volga district,
while 20,000 persons are homeless. Hundreds
of villages have been inundated.
Beside the town of Nikolavsk and
Sokolovsk, three villages were com-
pletely submerged. In the latter
the inhabitants were all saved.

P'RAPS-P'RAPS NOT!

The St. Andrew's Reel Club is
turning out a real success.

It was a flag day in Aberdeen
—the day on which it is current-
ly reported that Aberdeenians
stay in their houses—and a
holidaymaker was asked by a
pretty girl to buy a flag.
"I thought," said the visitor,
"you did not have flag days in
Aberdeen."

"And is that why you came
here for your holidays?" asked
the girl.

The visitor quickly bought a
flag and disappeared.

The famous explorer was re-
lating his adventures on the last
expedition. Talking about
shortage of food, he said on his
return to England his bootmaker
met him and asked:—
"And how did you find those
boots I made for you?"
"Best I ever tasted!" replied
the explorer.

It was at a lecture on Africa.
The lecturer had been describ-
ing some of the sights he had
seen there. "There are some
spectacles," he said, "that one
can never forget."

"Oh, I do wish you'd tell me
where I can get a pair," said a
dear old lady in the audience.
"I'm always forgetting mine."

During the examination of a
class a lady inspector asked the
children to study her closely and
state what they thought she
needed most.

"Well," she asked, after a
brief silence, "any comments?"
There was no response. The
annoyed her, and, turning to a
bright-looking youngster in the
front row, inquired rather
sharply, "What is it most women
like myself need and have not
got?"

"A husband" blurted out the
youngster without a blush.

A customer in a tea shop
after waiting twenty minutes,
managed to catch the waitress's
eye.

"Can I see the manageress?"
he inquired. I have a com-
plaint."

"Complaint?" haughtily ex-
claimed the maiden. "What do
you take us for? This is a cafe,
not a nursing home."

She looked sternly at the
tramp, who had asked for a
meal.

"Why on earth don't you
work, like anyone else?" she
asked. "Hard work never killed
anyone."

"You're wrong, mum," he an-
swered; "I lost both my wives
that way."

A man rushed into the animal
dealer's shop in a great rage.
"Hi, you!" he shouted to the
shopkeeper; "you told me this
dog would be fine for rats, and
he never even touches them."

"Well," said the shopkeeper
quietly; "ain't that fine for the
rats?"

Johnny (just 14) applied for
a job as grocery boy. The
grocer wanted a serious-minded
youth, so he put Johnny to a
little test.

"Well, my boy, what would
you do with a thousand pounds?"
"I don't know; I wasn't ex-
pecting so much at the start,"
replied Johnny.

Three times the business man
threw the determined "commen-
cial" down a long flight of steps.
The third time he turned to his
work, satisfied that at last he
had seen the last of the persist-
ent one. But, no! The door
opened, and a smiling face peered
in.

"Well, now," said the travel-
ler, "we have had our little bit
of fun together; now, joking
aside, what about an order?"

Guy: "That young brother of
yours saw me kiss you just now.
What should I give him to keep
quiet?"
Fay (absently): "He usually
gets half-a-crown."

Tommy wanted a dog, and he
had many arguments with his
mother on the subject.

"One day he was sent on an er-
rand to the butcher's and was
gone so long that at last his
mother became anxious. Going
outside and looking out of the
window, she saw Tommy far
down the road hauling manfully
a rope with a little dog at-
tached to the other end. The
ropes were resisting every step of
the way. Presently Tommy ex-
claimed, 'Gee, Mommy, I
can't haul this dog! It has followed
me all the way home!'"

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A WEEK'S PAPERS IN ONE.

A position of stalemate seems to have eventuated so far as the military situation in China is concerned, and the chief matters of interest during the week have been of political interest. Preparations have been completed for the Wu-Han and Nanking "get together" Conference, which was to open at Nanking on the 15th instant, and the events and political moves leading up to this gesture of approach are fully set out in this week's "Overland Weekly."

The situation in Kwangtung is by no means clear, though thanks to its staff of trained Chinese journalists and observers the "Overland" is able to give a comprehensive resume of the trend of events and an indication as to the strength and sympathies of Gen. Li Chai-sum, the present chief of the Canton military forces.

China happenings in general and Hong Kong affairs in particular receive full treatment in the "Overland," which is an ideal weekly newspaper to send to anyone who desires to know what is taking place in this country. Let us send it Home for you.

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MOTORIZING SECTION

COMMERCIAL CARS.

RECTIFYING DEFECTIVE HEADLIGHTS.

A meeting of the committee of the Commercial Motor Vehicle Users' Association was held last month, representatives of the truck importers and retail merchants being nominated for the personnel. The association has approached the Traffic Department with a proposition for the rectification of defective headlights. The association intends to call for tenders from first-class mechanics to adjust headlights in accordance with subsection 6, regulation 28, of the Traffic Act, and to charge a nominal fee. Each driver whose car lights have been so adjusted will be provided with a ticket. The co-operation is sought of the Traffic Department for its supervision of the proposed testing depots.

TOO MANY COACH ACCIDENTS.

Something must be done by the passenger-carrying section of the industry, says The Commercial Motorist, to put a stop to the "char-a-bancs crash" and the "motorbus catastrophe" that fill the columns of the daily papers at holiday times. The reports of these mishaps make bad reading, with their "fatal results," "emergency door broken open to free the victims," "roof burst open in vain efforts to escape," and such-like startling phrases in the headlines and flaring captions to the accompanying illustrations.

Immediately after the war we persistently drew the attention of motor coach operators to the urgent need for passenger carrying. The growing demand for suitable types encouraged the makers to produce them, and it is correct to say that there is today no slight need, for passenger purposes, to use converted lorry chassis or vehicles that are employed in the main as load carriers. The tendency, when a lorry or van is taken for a pleasure jaunt at the week-end (or at any other time), is for the driver's foot to press hard upon the accelerator pedal, because passengers ask for speed, or taunt the driver whenever his vehicle is overtaken. High speed means excessive braking, and at the end of a long day, under these driving conditions, brake shoes, well worn at the start, become worn to the point where they fail and leave the driver in the lurch.

Under the projected Road Traffic Bill the Minister of Transport will have power to make regulations under which passenger-carrying vehicles will be subject to inspection. The many accidents of the past eight years have already led to the determination that these inspections shall be thorough, but, if accidents continue as they are doing, there will one day be such an outcry in the daily papers that the Minister will be forced to make the conditions onerous. This would inflict a serious injury upon the coach industry, but it is one which can yet be averted. If those who, today, allow their vehicles to be taken out in a known defective condition or to be driven by men in the least degree incompetent or inexperienced, will see about setting their business in order.

A WEIRD MACHINE.

Who is there who has not been annoyed by having a tyre punctured at a most inconvenient moment by a nail picked up from the road surface? This matter has recently been receiving the attention of some American engineers, who have evolved a weird machine, which they term a "highway magnetic nail picker." It consists of a truck carrying two large magnets held at a distance of 2 ins. from the road surface, which are strong enough to pick up loose nails at a range of 6 ins., and will, consequently, lift nails which are covered by loose gravel. The electrically required to energise the magnets is supplied by an engine-driven dynamo arranged on the truck. A surprisingly good "catch" was obtained in the course of road tests. On an average 13 lb. of scrap was picked up per mile. "The Motorist."

The directors of Rolls-Royce, Ltd., will shortly issue their annual report. It will show that (subject to audit) the profits for the year ended October 31 last amounted to £100,606.

MOTOR IMPORTS.

AMERICAN DOMINANCE IN AUSTRALIA.

Figures relating to motor-car bodies and chassis imported into the Commonwealth in the 12 months ended on June 30, issued by the Department for Trade and Customs, show the extent to which the United States of America dominates the Australian market. Of a total of 12,746 car bodies imported in the period, 11,138 came from the United States.

The total importations into the Commonwealth were as follows:—United Kingdom, \$95,066; Canada, \$3,466; United States, \$1,230,759; European countries, \$45,428; total, \$1,409,719.

The value of the chassis (assembled and unassembled) imported into the Commonwealth from each country during the 12 months was as follows:—From the United Kingdom, \$3,198,290; from Canada, \$1,008,176; from the United States, \$7,555,717; from European countries, \$480,295; total from all countries, \$12,242,478.

SAFETY BRAKING FOR FAST VEHICLES.

We do not hear quite so often now-a-days, says "The Commercial Motorist," of serious accidents caused by complete failure of the brakes on fast vehicles, but such failures do certainly sometimes occur, although, fortunately, not always with sufficiently drastic results to bring them before the notice of the public.

With the increasing number of high-speed vehicles on the road (these being mostly passenger-carrying types), it is essential that the whole subject of braking should receive the utmost consideration, and every important failure be analysed so that information gleaned in this manner can be employed to safeguard vehicles in the future.

There is still much to be done in tracing out the effects of the high temperatures often caused as a result of powerful braking at high speeds. Drums are often too thin and the connection between drums and wheels do not provide sufficient body of material to permit adequate dissipation of the heat; consequently, distortion is apt to occur, this being either permanent or temporary. Permanent distortion prevents proper initial brake adjustment, whilst temporary alterations in drum shape may easily have the effect of upsetting the initial adjustment and result in inefficient braking effort.

EGG-CUPS THAT DO NOT FIT THE EGGS.

In an article in "The Motorist" which emphasizes the importance of motorcar manufacturers studying the market conditions abroad, Mr. W. E. Rootes draws an interesting parallel. In the East, he says, the Briton who is looking after possibilities of trade finds, to his chagrin, that most of the egg-cups are the products of German industry. When he makes inquiries he finds that the British egg-cup manufacturers could not visually anything but a British egg. They did not realize that hens in hot countries might have a little less enthusiasm in laying than they show in Kent or Surrey. They did not get into their minds the idea that the Easter egg might be a little smaller than the British egg—hence for year after year they sent out egg-cups that made the local Easter egg look like a gooseberry in a teacup. The Germans, for all that they are never credited with imagination, saw the point at once and supplied egg-cups that fit the Oriental egg. By so doing they have collared the market, and when all is said and done, it is very hard to prove that they did not deserve their success.

CHAMBERLAIN'S PAIN BALM EASES PAIN.

Rub Chamberlain's Pain Balm on the painful spots. It is penetrating, starts up the circulation which carries away the congestion and pressure that causes the pain. That is how it helps rheumatic pains, lumbago, backache, neuralgia, swollen, aching joints and muscles. Sold and recommended everywhere.

OVERLAND TOUR.

WOMEN'S RECORD IN AUSTRALIA.

Mrs. Gladys Sandford and Miss Stella Christie, the two lady motorists who have accomplished the feat of crossing Australia four times in a motor car unaccompanied by any male escort, returned to Sydney on July 25 and were welcomed at the Obelisk in Macquarie Place by representatives of the Royal Automobile Club of Australia, the National Roads and Motorists' Association, and members of the motor trade.

Since March 4, when they left Sydney, the two ladies have covered 11,000 miles and driven from Sydney to Perth, back to Adelaide, thence to Darwin and back and returned to Sydney.

USE OF DIAMONDS.

Because diamonds are the hardest things in the world they are used in the manufacture of automobiles. The hardest steel can be reduced to dust in a very short time by bringing it into contact with a grinding wheel, but on diamonds abrasives have little effect. What experts believe to be the hardest diamond in the world has been discovered—a diamond so hard that it is considered a freak. Ten years' continuous service in the Chevrolet factory has reduced its original weight of 80 carats to 26. But even this loss of five carats is considered trivial when compared with the thousands upon thousands of dollars' worth of ordinary diamonds which this hardest diamond has outlasted.

Even the ordinary diamonds used by General Motors, however, have an unusually long life. This is due to the patented process of setting, which holds the diamond, and keeps it cool while it moves slowly back and forth on the surface of a grinding wheel, that is turning at a speed of more than a mile a minute. When the even friction of the diamond has dressed the surface of the wheel smooth and true, the wheel is then used in grinding operations upon bearings, pistons, and other important engine parts, to which it confers the unvarying microscopic accuracy necessary to reliable service and long life in motor cars.

Diamonds are also used by General Motors to bore out the piston pin bushings in the upper end of connecting rods. Because of the severe strain at this point in the engine, extreme accuracy is necessary. One diamond, three-quarters of a carat in weight, will bore 10,000,000 holes. Even if this work were done with the hardest steel reaming tool it would cost more than 100 times as much. Such manufacturing economies and advanced methods of production as these are directly reflected in many of the benefits which the owner of a quality car enjoys.

UNLOCKED CARS.

Aiming to save hundreds of thousands of dollars annually for the automobile driver, the motor car manufacturers in the United States have started a campaign urging the private car owner always to lock his automobile when not using it.

Directors of the United States National Automobile Chamber of Commerce have recommended that each motor company include in its instruction book a page on the necessity of locking the car.

Thousands of happy parties are spoiled because of this inattention on the part of the automobile user. The unlocked car is an invitation to the professional car stealer.

Still more serious both to society and to the owner are those cases where cars are taken for use in crimes.

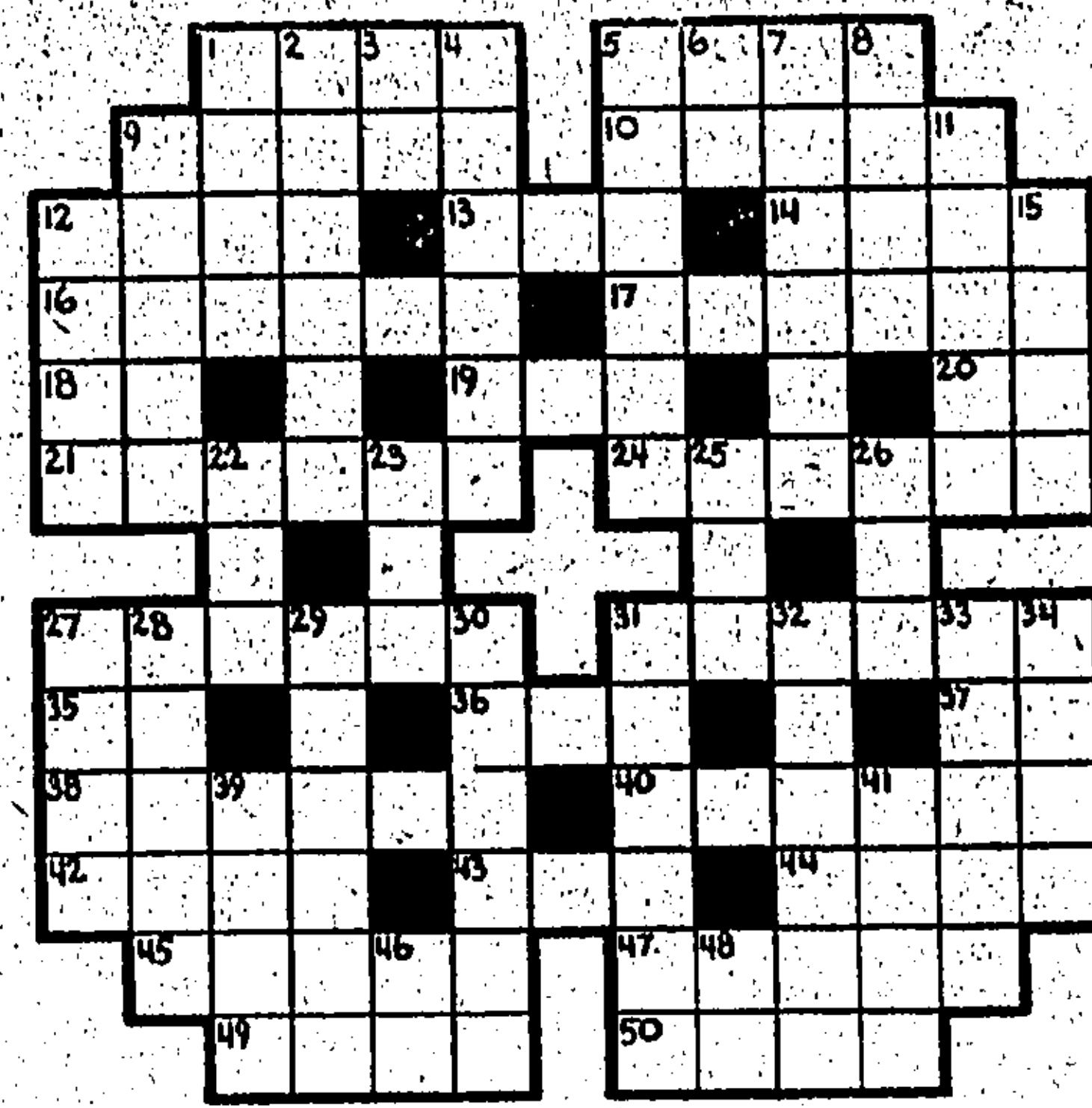
This preventive campaign is being carried on by the Insurance Committee of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, of which William E. Metzger is chairman.

RATTLING HOOD.

A rattling hood can be stopped by adding new springs on the latches, and renewing the rawhide or canvas facings in the cowl ledge and on top of the radiator shell, upon which the hood rests.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, blow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL
1-To burn
5-Parts of a circle
9-Pickle
10-Breaks suddenly
12-A celestial body
13-A resinous substance
14-Sodium chloride
15-Cows
17-Supplemental items
18-Preposition
19-A religious person
20-Southern State (abbr.)
21-Latest
24-More penetrating
27-One who fishes
31-Used to stiffen clothes
33-The (Fr)
35-Suffix denoting superlative degree

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
37-Exclamation
38-Breaks
40-One who lifts up
42-Small
43-A poem
44-Unenclosed
46-To guide
47-Defensive covering
48-To publish
50-Very fine rain
VERTICAL
1-Garment
2-To move violently
3-To wit
4-To yield
5-To rise
6-Royal Navy (abbr.)
7-Palace
8-To box
9-A commonwealth
11-To drudge
12-To scrutinize

VERTICAL (Cont.)
15-Former ruler of Russia
22-To move quickly to and fro
23-Institute legal proceedings against
25-Consume
26-Equality of value
27-Too
28-Requires
29-Looked maliciously
30-To go often
31-A river
32-Self-evident truths
33-A shout of applause
34-Wind instrument
35-A ballet
41-A hemlock
42-East India (abbr.)
43-Small State of U. S. (abbr.)

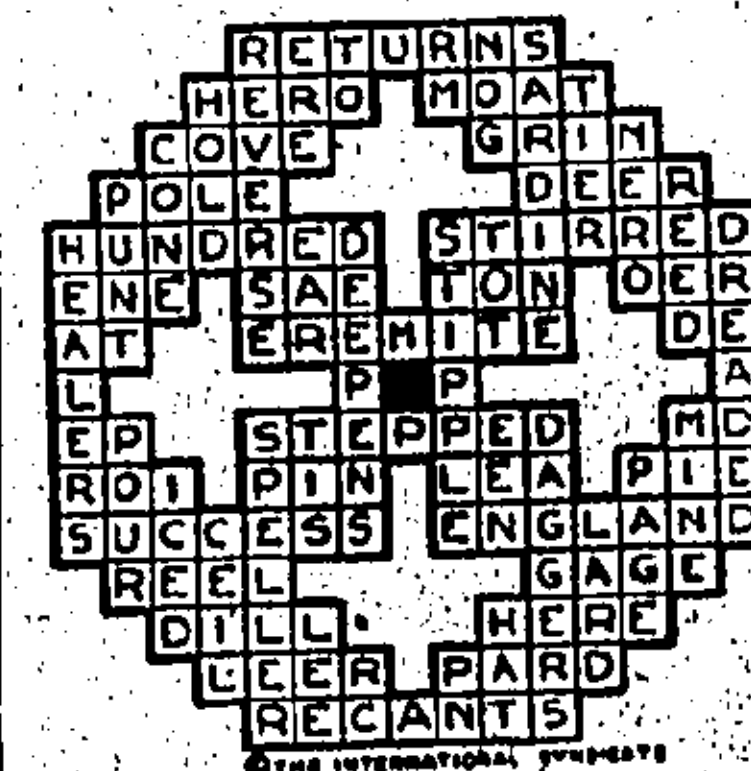
(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

INDIRECT LOSSES.

Every motorist knows that it wastes fuel to have the carburetor set for too rich a mixture. The direct losses, however, probably are greater sources of expense. These take the form of excessive carbon deposits, valve troubles, greater cylinder and piston wear and more crank-case dilution—the greatest evil of them all.

The Chevrolet Motor Co., of Detroit, U.S.A., announces that it has just turned out its three-millionth car.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



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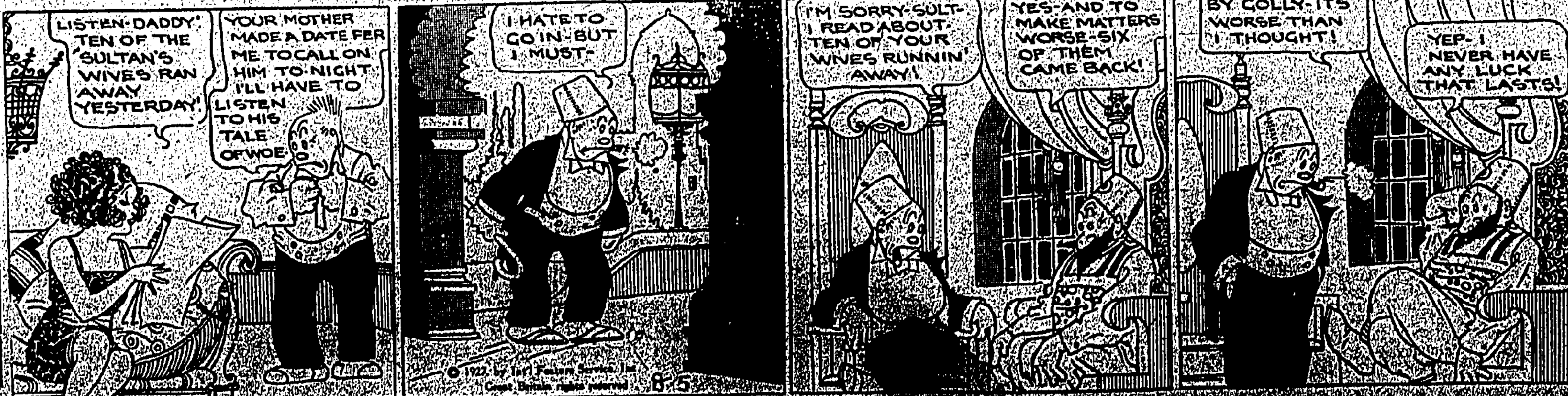
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IN THE BLACK HILLS.

Where Pres. Coolidge is Spending Vacation.

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LOCAL EXPERT'S STORY.

Below Mr. Herbert A. Stout, a local resident and probably the only gypsum expert in the Far East, describes from personal knowledge the Black Hills of South Dakota, where President Coolidge is spending his summer holiday. Not only will the author's story be read with interest in the light of its topicality, but the account will hold attention because of the fact that these Hills constitute one of the richest and most varied mineral beds in the world. Mr. Stout is plant manager in Hong Kong for the Simplex Plaster Co. For a number of years he worked in the mines in the Black Hills and obtained his technical education at the South Dakota State School of Mines, which is in Rapid City, President Coolidge's headquarters.

(BY HERBERT A. STOUT, B.C. Sc., B.Sc.-IN-MET. E.)

A few weeks ago Lindbergh was merely one among several hundred individuals in America who are designated by the term "captain." To-day his name is written inerasably on the pages of history.

A few weeks ago Rapid City, South Dakota, the Gateway to the Black Hills, was merely one among several hundred prosperous, mid-western cities with no special claim to distinction perhaps, except that her citizens are thoroughly alert and thoroughly cognisant of the fact that she possessed the key to a region of wondrous natural beauty. To-day, wherever news dispatches are read, she is known as the city in which President Coolidge

conceiving the idea. By means of his columns he started the ball rolling which has done more to advertise the Black Hills than tons of printed matter could have done.

The State authorities were asked to co-operate and tendered their beautifully situated "State Lodge" thirty-two miles from Rapid City at the foot of Harney Peak as a summer White House. Cinematographers were engaged to photograph the countless beauty spots. These pictures created a most favourable impression especially in the east and soon people were asking questions. The Press took up the story, and so, on and on it went until most people not only admitted, but stoutly maintained that South Dakota possessed a spot abundantly worthy of the Presidential holiday.

Then too, the publicity given to the four heroic figures of Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln and Roosevelt which are being carved out of the solid mountain side by the famous sculptor, Gutzon Borglum, has added much to the general knowledge.

The Isaac Walton League sponsored the sending via aeroplane of a fine mess of trout to the President's breakfast table.

Great Joy.

A very definite scheme of publicity was formed and carried out and to make a long story short, when all the evidence had been collected, carefully catalogued and weighed, Mr. Coolidge cast his unanimous vote for Rapid City and the Black Hills. The news, while not unexpected, was received with great joy and preparations began in earnest for the receiving of the Nation's Executive. Painters and decorators found there were not enough hours in the day in which to serve their patrons. Unfinished paving schemes were rushed to completion, railroads over which the Presidential train might arrive, put extra crews at work on the road-bed that every unnecessary jolt might as far as possible be eliminated, and the journey thereby rendered the more safe. In fact the whole population arose as one man to make the occasion a memorable one, and one which could reflect credit, not only on South Dakota but on the "Great West" as well.

At length the party arrived. President and Mrs. Coolidge, with their famous white collie dogs, secretaries, reporters, secret service men and others too numerous to mention. The East could not have shown them a more enthusiastic welcome, for people had come from miles around and were wild with delight. Western hospitality was showered on them from all sides. Yelling cowboys and whooping Red Indians, all in their colourful and fantastic dress encircled the train as it slowed down at the station and it is said that the thin soft hair of the President took on a momentary stiffness quite foreign to its nature.

The Lodge.

The waiting throngs cheered and cheered again, hundreds of motor cars added their voices to the din till there was no mistaking the fact that the West was glad to see him. After acknowledging the acclamations he and his party were sped by motor cars to their summer home, a thirty-two mile journey over a splendidly graded highway every foot of which reveals a scene meant to tempt the brush of a master.

The Lodge, with its spacious verandahs and rustic architecture, a copy of some Alpine retreat, had been fitted with every convenience. With its beautiful setting among the pines and with magnificent Harney Peak rising

in the background it must have presented a thrilling picture to the Presidential pair, accustomed though they be to unusual and imposing sights.

Their residence established, business became the next consideration. The million dollar Rapid City high-school building had already been converted into offices to accommodate the President and his secretaries. The original plan was that the building would be vacated on September 1 to allow for the taking up of school. Since then, however, the President has become so enamoured of the place that the departing time has been moved to the latter part of the month. The opening of school has been consequently postponed and there is heard a lusty cheer from the beneficiaries who state that it is almost as good as having the school house burn down.

The Day's Work.

Except on rare occasions, nine o'clock finds him in the executive offices giving attention to business as though he were at home. The daily trip is made in his own Lincoln which had been driven through from Washington for the purpose. Special telegraph lines had been laid and a special aeroplane connects with the trans-Continental service and brings the official mail daily. This was to be a holiday to be sure, but even on holidays Presidents have work to do. At twelve o'clock he is whisked to his mountain home where tiffin is served after which he gives himself wholeheartedly to all manner of sports. Perhaps it is a walk or a horse-back ride over steep mountain trails, perhaps it is an attempt on the illusive members of the finny tribe that splash their defiance in the clear waters of the creek, perhaps it is a motor ride to some place of interest, to visit some gold mine, to dedicate a monument commemorating some historical event, to witness an exhibition of horsemanship or an historical pageant, or perhaps it is merely to sit in an easy chair on the deep shaded verandah and just gaze at the restful panorama spread before him or listen to my friend, Dr. O'Harra, President of my own School of Mines, telling the story, the first chapters of which date back some millions of years, of how the Great Architect of the Universe through successive upheavals and subsidences, aided by the forces of nature had finally been able to present to the children of man this play ground second to none in all the world.

Whatever the programme, evening finds him early to his bed to be early up, for truly, the most glorious portion of a mountain day is that which begins with the first twitter of the birds and ends when the thick grass has been divested of its dewy coat.

Healthy Tan.

So another day has come and if perchance it be "The Lord's Day" he attends Divine Worship at the little Congregational church in the village of Hermosa where a young Norseman only twenty years of age - faces the filled pews and points the way to "Life Everlasting." It is said that his progenitors feared nothing. I wonder how young Rolf feels about it?

The days have sped. The President's face has become dark, not from apprehension but from a healthy coat of tan. His physician says he is as "hard as nails" and is highly pleased with the results obtained. The President himself is quoted as saying that his expectations have been more than realised and that the world at large knows too little of this tired working man's paradise. He stoutly maintains that when he returns to Washington he will be a walking advertisement for the health-giving, youth-reviving Black Hills.

During Mr. Coolidge's sojourn at the Lodge, he has shown a very keen interest in the history of the Black Hills district, not only in that portion which relates the experiences and accomplishments of the discoverers and early settlers, but that portion which is told by the rocks themselves, for believe it or not, they have written their history in a language of their own, eloquent and logical, by which the understanding reader may pass back through the ages and as page after page is turned, unfold a story in comparison to which tales of the Arabian Knights are as idle drivel.

High Spots.

Let us pause a few moments to note some of the high spots in (Continued on Page 12.)

CHILDREN LIKE CHAMBER-LAIN'S PAIN-BALM.

For "black and blue" bruises, sprains of wrists and ankles, strains of cords and muscles, stubbed toes, cuts, burns and other mishaps of childhood, Chamberlain's Pain-Balm always gives relief. Does just as much for older people too. Eases their rheumatic pains, backaches and neuralgia. Just rub it on the sore spots. It is penetrating and quickly helps. Sold and recommended everywhere.

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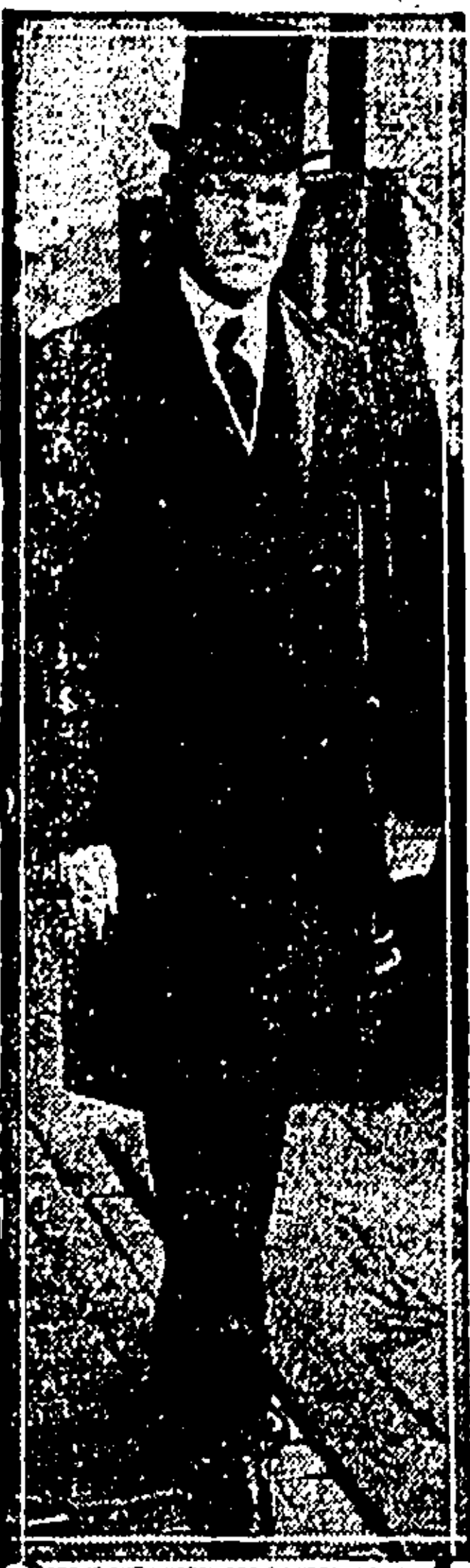
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Pres. Coolidge.

his annual holiday in the of our Lord 1927 and from he issued the unexpected startling statement that he did not stand for re-election.

Where, What, Why?

The distinction thus given to hitherto almost unknown has caused many to ask, where it is, what it is, and why President selected this local for his annual play time.

The writer, having lived for several years in that now world-famous city and having intimate knowledge of all the surrounding country, will attempt to answer these questions. The President let it be known in the season that he intended to break the presidential tradition and seek a suitable place for his vacation. In the past, he and his predecessors had been wont to rusticate in the Allegheny Mountains which are only a few hours' journey from Washington. As soon as his intention became known, dozens of applicants sprang forward, each painting in vivid colours the "unsurpassed scenic beauty" of their respective sections. There was a great and intense rivalry to see who should have the honour of entertaining the President on his Western holiday.

Case's Idea.

Francis Case, friend and associate of the writer and editor of the Rapid City "Daily" belongs the credit of

IN BLACK HILL.

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this exceedingly interesting narrative. We read of a great inland sea, gradually drawing in its arid shores under the tropical sun and depositing on its floor according to definite laws of nature, great layers of limestone, gypsum and salt, in the order named, with intermittent layers of clay or sandstone. We read of all manner of strange creatures, eating, sleeping, rearing their young, and finally passing out of the picture to make room for some type more suited to the ever changing conditions.

Eons later, where once spread this vast expanse of water, we see a tropical forest in whose shade dwell a generation of living things totally different from those about which we read in the previous chapter, for these have either left no descendants whatever, or having left descendants, their bodily features have been so altered as to render them almost unrecognisable. How do we know? The pages of our history are profusely illustrated. Here is a full life size reproduction of the giant Titanotheres, somewhat similar to our present day Rhinoceros. There he stands, almost as natural as in life, where he had become mired in that prehistoric bog. The preserving elements have enfolded him and now, eternities later, he stands restored in the great museum, indisputable evidence of his former existence.

Like A Carbuncle.

Another chapter tells how from the midst of this plain, in a place now geographically known as south-western South Dakota, appears what might be likened to a carbuncle on the face of Nature caused by some titanic subterranean disturbance. At times the action is violent, at times there is an actual subsidence, but for ages the action continues.

Frost, wind and rain marshal their forces in an attempt to level this monstrous growth. They fight with untiring energy, day and night, winter and summer, attacking and counter-attacking, until what would have been a relatively smooth and proper carbuncle is cut, gashed and scarred almost beyond recognition. The very bowels of the earth are laid bare. We see here a solidification of molten magma, the gigantic granite formation of Harney Peak, which has been literally thrust up through the more recently formed sedimentary rocks of the Pre-Cambrian age. Rocks which nature laid in a horizontal position are here seen standing upright, in places broken, twisted and forced apart by great intrusive dikes of pegmatitic granite.

Great Uplift.

As one travels outward from the apex, so to speak, of this great uplift he encounters rocks of more recent formation until at the outer rim where the land flattens out and merges with the prairies he discovers some of the youngest rocks known. Almost without a break, each geologic era is represented by well defined formations. It is said that nowhere on earth are there so many geologic ages represented in so short a space as in the Black Hills of South Dakota. The steep sides of Rapid Canyon are replete with history, so much so that students of Geology from all parts of America and the world come to delve into its pages.

The pegmatitic dikes, especially in the vicinity of the village of Key Stone are highly mineralised and contain ores of many of the so-called rare elements. Many large specimens of crystals are found, the most notable of which was a single crystal of spodumene which measured nearly eighty feet in length with an average diameter of about six feet, said to be the largest ever found. The writer, himself, saw, not the crystal, but its impression in the side of the mountain after it had been removed. Spodumene is a silicate of aluminium and lithium and is the source of a greater portion of lithia, the chief use of which is in the manufacture of lithia water said to be a solvent for uric acid in the system.

Beryllium.

Another of the rare elements worthy of note is beryllium. It is much lighter than aluminium and when alloyed with it, makes the lightest, strongest and most desirable material from which to build the skeleton of the modern airship. Until recently its cost has been almost prohibitive due to the expense of extracting the metal from the ore. A short time ago, however, a process was devised by which beryl (the ore of beryllium) and bauxite (the ore of aluminium) are treated together in an electric furnace, the resulting product being an alloy of great lightness combined with great tensile strength. Beryl is now being transported from the Black Hills to Niagara Falls

where the great electric furnaces transform this innocent looking rock into ribs and stays for giants of the air.

One is probably more familiar with the element tungsten, which during the war nearly dethroned the king of metals. A small percentage of this substance in steel imparts very desirable properties to it, and when the need was greatest a large part of it came from this self-same section.

Other Elements.

Mention could be made of many more interesting and little known elements found in these mountains, but before passing we should casually speak of another metal, while not classed as a rare one, is all too rare with most us. An Irishman who had recently gone to America on being asked what was the rarest of metals promptly replied "Faith and thots aisy. It's tin." "You're wrong," was the rejoinder. "Will thin, what is it they make thin there tin dollar shillings out of?"

During the past thirty or two years, about one-thirtieth of all the gold produced in the world has come from a little section of the Black Hills about five miles square. The great Home Stake mine at Lead, South Dakota is known as the world's greatest low-grade gold mine and when considered from the point of view of total production, ranks as one of the greatest mines of all time.

"Low Grade."

By "low-grade" is meant that the ore treated is of low value. The average value of the ore mined at the Home Stake is only about four dollars gold per ton, but when one considers that every twenty-four hours, winter and summer, Sundays, holidays and week days, four thousand tons of ore are blasted from the solid rock, loaded into trams, dumped into ore packets, hoisted to the surface, some of it from a depth of twenty-four hundred feet, crushed and ground to a flour-like fineness and ninety-six per cent. of the gold content extracted by complicated amalgamation and cyanide processes, one can appreciate something of its magnitude. Smaller mines in the neighbourhood contribute considerably toward the total output of the Hills.

In smaller quantities, the Black Hills produced silver, copper, lead, tin, antimony, arsenic and zinc. Among the non-metals should be mentioned mica, limestone, gypsum, asbestos, granite and marble. These are very important and are the basis of a growing trade.

The Future.

The previously mentioned triumvirate of forces that have been working through the ages to level these mountains, though only partially successful have succeeded wonderfully well in carving out a natural beauty spot, the like of which is seldom seen. Sylvan lake, half way up the steep ascent to Harney is indeed a picture of rare beauty. The granite spires, the aromatic pine forests, the rushing streams, the blue sky, the bracing atmosphere all unite in making this an ideal vacation spot.

The State has expended enormous sums of money in building highways and bridges. All parts are easily accessible and in ever increasing numbers tourists are coming from far and near. The publicity gained this summer will no doubt swell the tide and a few years hence the Black Hills will doubtless be as well known as Yellow Stone or Yosemite.

GOVERNOR INDICTED

EXECUTIVE OF INDIANA IS ACCUSED OF BRIBERY.

Indianapolis, Sept. 16. An indictment was returned today by the Marion County Grand Jury against Governor Jackson of the State of Indiana and also against Mayor John Duval of Indianapolis.

The Governor is charged with participation in a conspiracy to bribe a former Governor, Warren McCray, who was recently released from the state penitentiary after serving a sentence of three years and four months which was imposed upon him for using the U. S. mails to defraud.—United Press.



Marcel Drouhin, famous French air pilot, who has been in England putting the finishing touches on the giant plane, Columbia, used by Clarence Chamberlain and Charles A. Levine on their trans-Atlantic flight. Drouhin will attempt to fly the plane from Europe to New York on a non-stop flight.

LUCK TURNED.

A Card for £32,000.

Paris, Aug. 17. An American millionaire last night made the biggest single bet in baccarat history at the Deauville casino. A few days ago he lost \$16,000 in one night. He returned yesterday determined to retrieve his bad luck. He played steadily hour after hour, winning all the time, till he had \$10,000 before him. Then he staked the lot upon the turn of a single card, and won, and he rose from the tables a net winner of \$32,000.

GREEK CHURCH.

Loyalty to Soviet in Moscow.

Moscow, Aug. 20. The Greek Orthodox Church, which under patriarch Tikan vigorously opposed the Soviet, has now completely accepted the Soviet's civil rule. The Metropolitan Sergius, the present head of the Church, has made a proclamation appealing to the Church's adherents to "Regard the Soviet Union as our civic fatherland," and demanding that the clergy give a written pledge of loyalty to the Soviet under penalty of exclusion from the Church.

AIR MAILS.

INTER-DOMINION SCHEME PLANNED.

London, September 11. Announcement was made by the Air Ministry today that it is proceeding with plans for an inter-Dominion airmail and passenger service, including service across the Atlantic to Canada.

These services are expected to be put into actual practice some time next year. Dirigibles similar to the type constructed in Germany by Count Zeppelin will be used, according to the plans as arranged thus far.

A commission has been sent to Canada, and another to South Africa, to select landing places for these services. It is expected that eventually the entire Empire will be linked by dirigibles.

BELGIAN DEPORTATIONS.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH GERMANY.

Brussels, Aug. 19. The Government, replying to the Reichstag sub-Commission's report on the deportations of Belgians in war time, says that the deportees numbered 120,655. Indescribable sufferings were inflicted on thousands of innocents in German camps. It was hell, and even in Germany there were denunciations of the outrages, which caused thousands of deaths.

The Reichstag, instead of disputing the acts, might well have dissociated the Republic from the war policy of the Imperial Government. The thesis that the deportations were necessary to reduce the labour shortage and meet the necessity of public order was untenable. Even now Belgium welcomed inquiry into accusations of Belgian irregular warfare against Germany, and replies that she is willing to negotiate for an investigation. Interest in Germany.

London, Aug. 21. In Berlin great political importance is attached to the Belgian and German Government's professed willingness to submit to investigation the question whether Belgian civilians' participation in the war infringed international law. The investigation is expected to include the violation of Belgian neutrality and the deportation of civilians. The committee will probably comprise one representative of Belgium and one of Germany, with a neutral chairman.

EIGHT HOUR-DAY ACT.

Mr. A. J. Cook's Revolt.

London, Aug. 13. The general secretary of the Miners' Federation (Mr. A. J. Cook), in a rallying speech at Durham, appealed to the miners to co-operate in the movement to smash the Eight Hour-Day Act.

Human endurance, he said, had reached its limit, and it was an occasion not for patience but for action. It was a choice between starvation wages or closing the pits and compelling the nation to pay the miners a living wage. He was unwilling to await a Labour Government, for the workers might starve before that happened. He was organising a revolt from Land's End to John o' Great's House in order to rouse the workers to united action.

FOND FAREWELL.

GIVEN COOLIDGE BY RAPID CITY.

Rapid City, S. D., Sept. 9. While "still cameras" snapped and "movie machines" ground busily, Rapid City declared holiday today and the town turned out for a picturesque farewell to President Coolidge.

Stores closed, all business ceased. Men, women and children proceeded to the school house, which has been the President's town office building during his vacation stay near here, and paid individual respects to the departing Chief Executive.

Then the people formed in line and marched down Main Street—a real Main Street just like the one made famous by Sinclair Lewis, as all the correspondents carefully noted down. The band loudly blared forth a choice collection of inspiring airs, including "Hail to the Chief."

With elaborate ceremonial, the Mayor of Rapid City presented a testimonial to President Coolidge on behalf of the townfolk. Next came, from the standpoint of Rapid City notables, the crowning event of the day—the taking of large group photographs by the town photographer, with President and Mrs. Coolidge elbowed in democratic fashion by all the elite of the Black Hills area.

President Coolidge and the extensive "White House family," including pet animals, detectives and correspondents will leave at 10 o'clock to-night stopping at Brookings on Saturday where President Coolidge will dedicate the Lincoln Library of the State Agricultural School.

From Brookings the party will go on to Washington and there devote some days to the established American procedure of recovering from the annual vacation.—United Press.

WHOLESALE BRIBERY.

ALLEGED BY NEW PROHIBITION DIRECTOR.

Washington, Sept. 9. Bribery is rampant in the ranks of the prohibition enforcement officers, Prohibition Chief Lowman declared today, and a general weeding-out process is to be started at once.

Announcing plans for the cleanup, Lowman said: "There are many incompetent and also many crooked men in the service of the law. By many I mean a whole lot."

"They are everywhere, and we are after them hard. Sometimes my arm gets tired of signing dismissal orders."

Lowman declared that from three to four prohibition officials have been dismissed each day recently, and indicated that with such conditions existing there was no recourse but to cut loose with a general wiping-up which would correct the evil situation at its source.

Exactly how the right men are to be caught any faster than has been the case in the past was not revealed, but the intimation was that heads will fall in sufficient profusion to make sure that the guilty go even though a few whose status is doubtful may have to go too.—United Press.

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KENYA COLONY.

ELECTED MAJORITY IN LEGISLATURE.

Nairobi, Aug. 31. The Governor, Sir Edward Grigg, who has just returned to Kenya Colony from Great Britain, opened the Legislature yesterday.

In the course of a very lengthy address, His Excellency outlined the various questions dealt with at the Colonial Office and Colonial Conference and also gave details of his visit to South Africa and Rhodesia, where, he said, he had gained valuable information concerning the methods adopted in those countries in dealing with problems similar to those of Kenya.

Special Loan.

The Governor announced that Kenya would not participate in the £10,000,000 Eastern Africa loan, but would raise a loan on her own account.

The Feetham Commission's report on local government had been approved by the Secretary of State, and, as far as Nairobi was concerned, legislation would be introduced to give effect to the proposals immediately, while the whole report would be enforced in course of time.

The boundaries of the native reserves would be secured for all time for the benefit of the tribes.

Closer Settlement.

Closer settlement would be undertaken in conjunction with the Department of Overseas Settlement.

His Excellency foreshadowed a change of the constitution of the Legislature, giving an elected majority, but special powers, he said, would be needed to prevent deadlocks. The King's Government must be carried on. It might be necessary to alter the basis of election to communal representation rather than constituencies.

The Governor appealed to all sections of the community to co-operate in the peaceful progress of the country.

Indian Protest.

As a result of the Governor's announcement of the approval of the Feetham Report, which reduces the proportion of Indian representation in local government, the Indian members of the Nairobi Municipality did not attend the meeting of the Corporation yesterday, as a protest.—Times of Ceylon.

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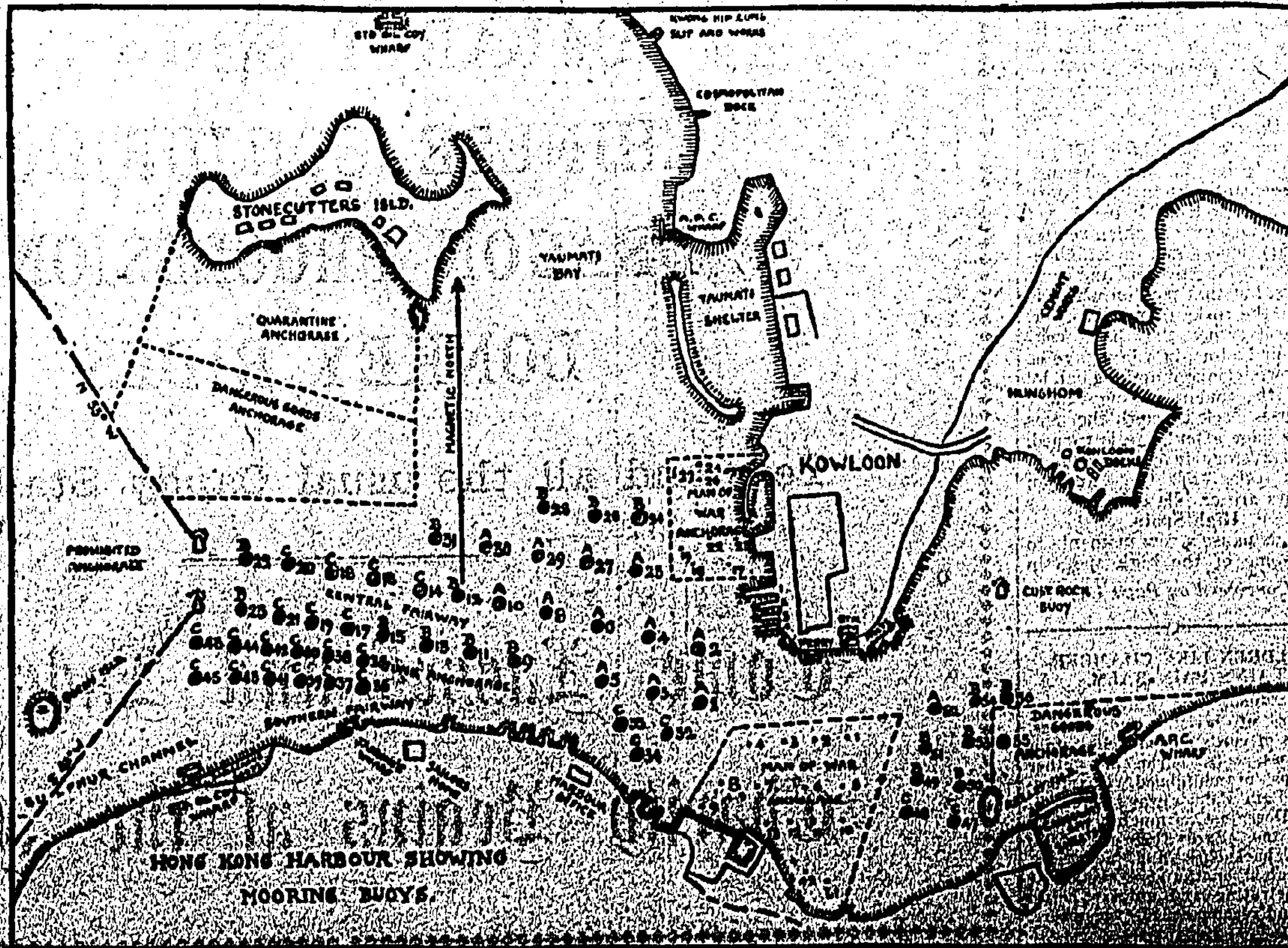
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PICTURESQUE CEREMONIES IN KELANTAN.

His Excellency the High Commissioner and Lady Clifford arrived at Kelantan on August 30 travelling from Singapore by the "Seabell." They were accompanied by His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, Malaya, and Mrs. Van Straubenzee, the Hon. Dr. A. L. Hoops, Mr. Huggins, and two aides-de-camp.

On the morning of August 30 His Excellency was received at Tumpat by Mr. Jarrett, Assistant British Adviser, Tengku Sri Akar Raja, Tengku Sri Jaya Raja, and the Dato' Sri Derja, I.S.O., who accompanied the party to Palekhang where eleven "prahu kayuhan" each manned by 30 rowers were in readiness to convey the party across the river to Kota Bharu. His Excellency the High Commissioner and Lady Clifford made the journey in the Prahu Sarati which has, since the days of Sultan Mulut Merah, been used by the Rulers of Kelantan for State ceremonial purposes.

The Official Reception.

On arrival at the landing stage His Excellency and Lady Clifford were received by His Highness the Sultan and the British Adviser. After the members of Council and heads of Government Departments had been presented, and while the guns were firing their salute, passage was made to the Padang Besar through lines of 300 spearmen backed by the largest assemblage of Malays which has ever been seen in Kota Bharu.

On arrival at the Padang Besar His Excellency inspected a very smart guard of honour of the Kelantan Military Police commanded by Capt. Anderson and from thence proceeded to the Residency where very soon afterwards His Highness the Sultan arrived to pay his ceremonial call. In returning this call at the Balei Besar His Excellency renewed his acquaintance with this interesting old building, last visited by him more than forty years ago.

A garden party given at the Residency in the afternoon was attended by His Highness the Sultan with all the Malays of the Ruling House.

After a State banquet at the Balei Besar a mayong was set in the Court yard.

Hearty Welcome By Malays.

On August 31 His Excellency and a party visited Pasir Puteh, travelling thence by the new road to Cherang Ruku where, though but short notice had been given of the visit, the population turned out in force. After seeing Main Silat and Koleh racing Bachok was visited for sea-bathing and lunch. At Bachok as at Pasir Puteh and Cherang Ruku and elsewhere on the route His Excellency was given a hearty welcome by crowds of Malays.

In the afternoon the Kota Bharu bull ring was visited by His Excellency and party together with His Highness the Sultan, who with his staff afterwards dined at the Residency. Later there was a dance at the Kelantan Club.

On September 1 His Excellency and party, after visiting the hospitals and the jail at Kota Bharu in the early morning, left at 9 a.m. for Kuala Krai by car, a 48-mile journey. On the way the new Astana of

His Highness the Sultan at Lubok Nilan was visited. On arrival at Kuala Krai the hospital, jail and other public buildings were inspected. This town has now recovered from the effects of the flood which completely submerged it last January.

After lunch at the Kelantan Sports Club, Kuala Krai, at which several prominent planters and other old residents of Ulu Kelantan attended, the return journey to Kota Bharu was made by rail and opportunity was taken to halt the train for inspection of the Gulleimard Bridge.

Kota Bharu was reached in time to view the river sports which included several Malay longboat races.

The same morning Lady Clifford with the ladies of the party visited Kampang Laut on the Kelantan River for the purpose of inspecting the sarong weaving industry which still flourishes there. After an interesting display of sarongs, the processes of weaving and the preparation and use of vegetable dyes several purchases were made. Dinner was at the Residency.

His Highness the Sultan with the principal members of the Ruling House came to the Residency at 9 a.m. on Friday, September 2, for an unofficial leave taking.

His Excellency and party left at 9.30 a.m. for Tumpat and the "Seabell," en route for Trengganu.

FRENCH WAITERS.

TWENTY PER CENT. ARE FOREIGNERS.

Twenty per cent. of the men who serve drinks and food in Paris cafes and restaurants are foreigners.

In order to be sure of being served by a Frenchman, just as the travel agencies picture it, the tourist should go to one of the cafes near the Place de l'Opera, where during the summer more than half of the clientele is foreign. In that region 93 per cent. of the waiters are French.

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COLONEL BOWERS.

PROMOTION IN PHILIPPINES CONSTABULARY.

Colonel Clarence H. Bowers, chief of the quartermaster department, Philippine Constabulary, on Saturday last was designated to take charge of the intelligence division upon the retirement of Colonel Aurelio Ramos on September 16, according to General Nthorst. This is in addition to his work in the quartermaster department. Colonel Ramos will shortly leave for Spain to join his family. A dinner was given at the Cosmos Club in his honour by officers and employees of the Constabulary. Colonel Ramos joined the Philippine Constabulary as sub-inspector on May 25, 1902.

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Ballyhoo men in Paris are being used to pull American women in to see the expensive clothes on the highly fashionable and expensive rue de la Paix. All the old-timers are quite shocked about it.

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WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on September 1, 1927.—CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1926	1927
Tytam	411'8"	Level
Tytam Bywash	7'6"	Do.
Tytam Intermediate	Do.	Do.
Tytam Tuk	Do.	Do.
Wong Nei Chung	13'7"	8'2"
Pokfulum	8'4"	Level

[Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow." A denotes "Above Overflow." Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.]

	1926	1927
Tytam	845.88	864.80
Tytam Bywash	12.68	22.37
Tytam Intermediate	195.90	195.90
Tytam Tuk	1,419.00	1,419.00
Wong Nei Chung	15.08	25.84
Pokfulum	47.78	66.00

Total

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of August.

	1926	1927
Consumption	272.29	333.42
Estimated population	404,180	414,500
per day	21.7	25.9

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	1926	1927
Kowloon Reservoir	132.50	352.50
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	100.80	100.80
Reception Reservoir	Do.	Do.

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

	1926	1927
Total	453.80	453.80

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of August.

	1926	1927
Consumption	82.91	109.13
Estimated population	155,460	161,500
per day	17.1	21.3

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Light On Swatow "Mystery"
Invasion.

A plot to seize the Bocca Tigris forts, it is reported, has been forestalled by the Canton military authorities.

Bocca Tigris guards the water approach to Canton, ominously overlooking the entrance, at the head of the estuary, to the Canton River. Close by is where the mouth of the East River meets the Canton River.

The East River area has been the scene of disturbances by local rebels. Some of those taking part once fought under the banner of General Chen Chiung-ming, who was governor of Canton a few years ago and the right hand man of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen until they had a quarrel.

Raid From Land Side.
Since then Chen Chiung-ming has been eclipsed and is living in retirement, it is believed, in Hong Kong. A few of his minor lieutenants are still restless. These are now accused of taking part in a plan to move armed men down the East River with control of the Bocca Tigris forts as the final objective, the raid to be launched from the land side.

Alleged to be acting in unison with the former Chen Chiung-ming adherents are batches of guerrillas who are always roaming the interior of Kwangtung.

Army Mystery Cleared.
Light is thrown on the recent panic at Swatow by a military report, the contents of which are subject to confirmation.

That "big mysterious" army of Red invaders which was supposed to be in the hinterland of Swatow has turned out to be a division under General Chien Ta-chun, an ardent supporter of Chiang Kai-shek, now sojourning in-country.

General Chien Ta-chun left Canton this summer to round up anti-Nationalist elements in the south of Kiangsi province. A colleague at Wu-Han then predicted that his troops would be of little use as they had not received their baptism of fire.

Pursuers Pursued.
Be that as it may, the punitive expedition—for causes beyond its control—never reached the scene of hostilities. Changes in the political situation prevent its return to Canton. In finding a place to settle on, the expedition has come up with the "Red" army under Generals Yieh Ting and Ho Lung.

These seasoned fighters are stated to have routed a division of the expedition. The defeated division marched rapidly eastwards in north-east Kwangtung, creating the impression that an invasion of Swatow was contemplated.

The pursuing "Reds" were, in turn, defeated by units of 4th Army returning home to Canton from Hankow. The "Reds" then took a more northerly track. When last heard of they were crossing the Kwangtung provincial frontier into Fukien province in which they hope to find sanctuary.

Political Moves.
To signalise his appointment as commander of the 15th Nationalist Army, General Wong Shu-hung has given orders that the "Red" troops hovering on the outskirts of Kwangtung shall be expelled within a fortnight.

La. reported at Shuiwan on the East River, General Wong Shu-hung controls Kwangsi province and is an ally of General Li Chai-sum of Canton.

One of General Li Chai-sum's confidantes is down in Hong Kong. He is Mr. Cheung Lan-sin, head of the Canton Land Office. One of the objects of his visit is to ascertain if General Chang Fa-kwei of the 4th Army is staying here.

Minor changes are still being made in Canton officialdom, the displaced politicians belonging to Chiang Kai-shek's and Hu Han-min's factions.

Bandits' Coup—and Recul.
Disguised in military uniforms, bandits have brought off a coup in a Shunlai village one night this week but some of the gang were overtaken by Nationalist troops the next morning.

The villagers did not suspect anything when entry was de-

TO STOP WAR.

Comprehensive Scheme
By France.

THE LEAGUE'S AID.

To Make Terms Of Protocol More
Elastic.

Geneva, Yesterday.

A comprehensive plan for approaching the disarmament problem by way of security guarantees has been submitted to the disarmament committee by M. Paul Boncour, France, by first providing for the rapid convocation of the Council in the event of an international crisis; secondly, each Power to be assured of collective aid organised by the League, because such action would tend to prevent war and eventually protect the victim of aggression; thirdly, the conclusion of arbitration agreements with the object of creating mutual confidence among all States; also the systematic preparation to force on various articles of the Covenant and making the terms of Protocol more elastic in order to permit the signatories to determine obligations proportionately with the ties uniting the various nations according to the geographical situation.—Reuter.

Britain and Canada.
Geneva, Yesterday.

Some foreign circles here consider the election of Canada to the Council opens up big problems and tends to deprive Europe of new seat on the Council in the future. Moreover it is contended that Great Britain is no longer able to speak in the name of the Dominions in the Council but only in the name of Great Britain. But these commentators appear to disregard the fact that there are other British Dominions besides Canada.

Maison Tolerees.
Warnings not to proceed too swiftly with the abolition of maisons tolerees were made by the Committee discussing social vice after Dame Ethel Lytton, Britain, had appealed impassionedly to the Assembly to recommend that very strong repressive legislation be made next year.

The French spokesman said that France was striving to abolish licensed houses, but to precipitate action would develop clandestine vice.

The Japanese spokesman declared that the Governors of some of the Japanese provinces had already satisfactorily dealt with vice, but it was necessary to proceed prudently and cautiously.—Reuter.

Press Comment.

London, Yesterday.
While the British Press is congratulating Canada on its election to the Council of the League, French newspapers comment unfavourably on the defeat of Belgium's candidature. Several remarks on the paradoxical nature of the situation in which they declare that Germany, the aggressor, remains a member of the Council while Belgium, the victim, is excluded. They declare the vote will not enhance the reputation of the League with small States, jealous of the great Powers.—Reuter.

It was too late when their suspicions were aroused as the bandits had become masters of the position. Thirty-four rifles supplied by the community to the "self-preservation" volunteer guards were seized by the raiders.

Loot Exceeds \$10,000.
One hundred and two inhabitants were rounded up to be taken away for ransom but about twenty were released. The homes of all the well-to-do folks were ransacked and the total loot was worth more than \$10,000.

That same night, news was brought to the nearest military station but nothing could be done in the darkness. Next morning, the troops traced the bandits to a neighbouring lair and after a skirmish won the day. Ten robbers were captured, two were killed in action, and five pistols (mausers) and revolvers were seized.

The \$10,000,000 Loan.
Canton's police officers are still moving briskly in collecting the contributions to the Government loan of \$10,000,000. Merchants and bankers who have not paid their quota are receiving several visits from the police daily and it is apparent that no period of

SENTIMENT SCORNE.

Atlantic Attempt By
Britons.

PROPERLY ORGANISED.

Start Made Yesterday From
Dublin.

London, Yesterday.

Captain McIntosh and Commandant Fitzmaurice started on a trans-Atlantic flight at half past one this afternoon from Baldonnel Aerodrome, Dublin. In spite of the recent disasters to the Atlantic fliers, they have been waiting at Baldonnel for 11 days determined to start as soon as better conditions are reported over the Atlantic. Their aeroplane, "Princess Xenia," is a Fokker monoplane. It has no wireless apparatus but carries a rubber boat with two paddles. The machine is capable of carrying 701 gallons of petrol and can stay in the air for 41 hours. It has a range of 3,977 miles. It is fitted with a Bristol-Jupiter engine of 510 maximum horse power and has a speed of 125 miles per hour.

Capt. McIntosh has had great experience as a flier, having crossed the English Channel more times than any other pilot. He recently completed eight years' service on the London-Paris route. His companion, Commandant Fitzmaurice, is the officer in command of the Irish Free State Air Force.

Discussing his chances of success Captain McIntosh said, "We shall not be foolhardy. The whole of the flight which we propose to make has been properly organised. Our machine will definitely do the range, we have full confidence in our engine and personally I have the fullest confidence in my own abilities in conjunction with Commandant Fitzmaurice. Although we believe there is a certain amount of risk, we have endeavoured to reduce it to a minimum."

Before starting the flight today Capt. McIntosh said he expected to reach New York in 26 hours.—British Wireless Service.

Start Made From
Dublin.

London, Yesterday.
Captain McIntosh and Commandant Fitzmaurice have hoped off in a Fokker monoplane on a trans-Atlantic flight from Dublin.

Capt. McIntosh, an Imperial Airways pilot, and Col. Fitzmaurice, commandant of the Irish Free State Air Force, in their monoplane "Princess Xenia" with a nine-cylinder Bristol-Jupiter 550 horse power engine, carrying a rubber boat, but not equipped with wireless, started from Dublin at 1.36 p.m. Rain was falling but Atlantic conditions were reported favourable. McIntosh said he was steering direct for Newfoundland and expected to make New York in 26 hours.—Reuter.

Forced Down.
McIntosh was forced to land near Ballyhunnor, County Kerry, at six this evening.

Levine Going Too.
There has been a sudden change in Mr. Levine's plans. He has received favourable weather reports so is preparing for a trans-Atlantic flight to start to-morrow.—Reuter.

grace will be allowed in spite of representations.
Details are now available of the arrests made by the Canton administration following the banknote and financial crisis which was eased by the \$10,000,000 loan. Some of those detained are alleged to have circulated pamphlets to spread "no confidence" in the Government paper money.

Merchant Trouble Over?
After being proscribed by the Government, the Canton Merchants' Association—nominally a federation of the Chambers of Commerce—has passed over a difficult period.

A later report of the quarrel in the Kwangtung General Labour Union—which almost culminated in a riot—gives the number of men involved as seven hundred. Strong reinforcements of police, all fully armed, were needed to quell the disturbances brought by a dispute between two opposed factions as to which should have the majority of Union officials.

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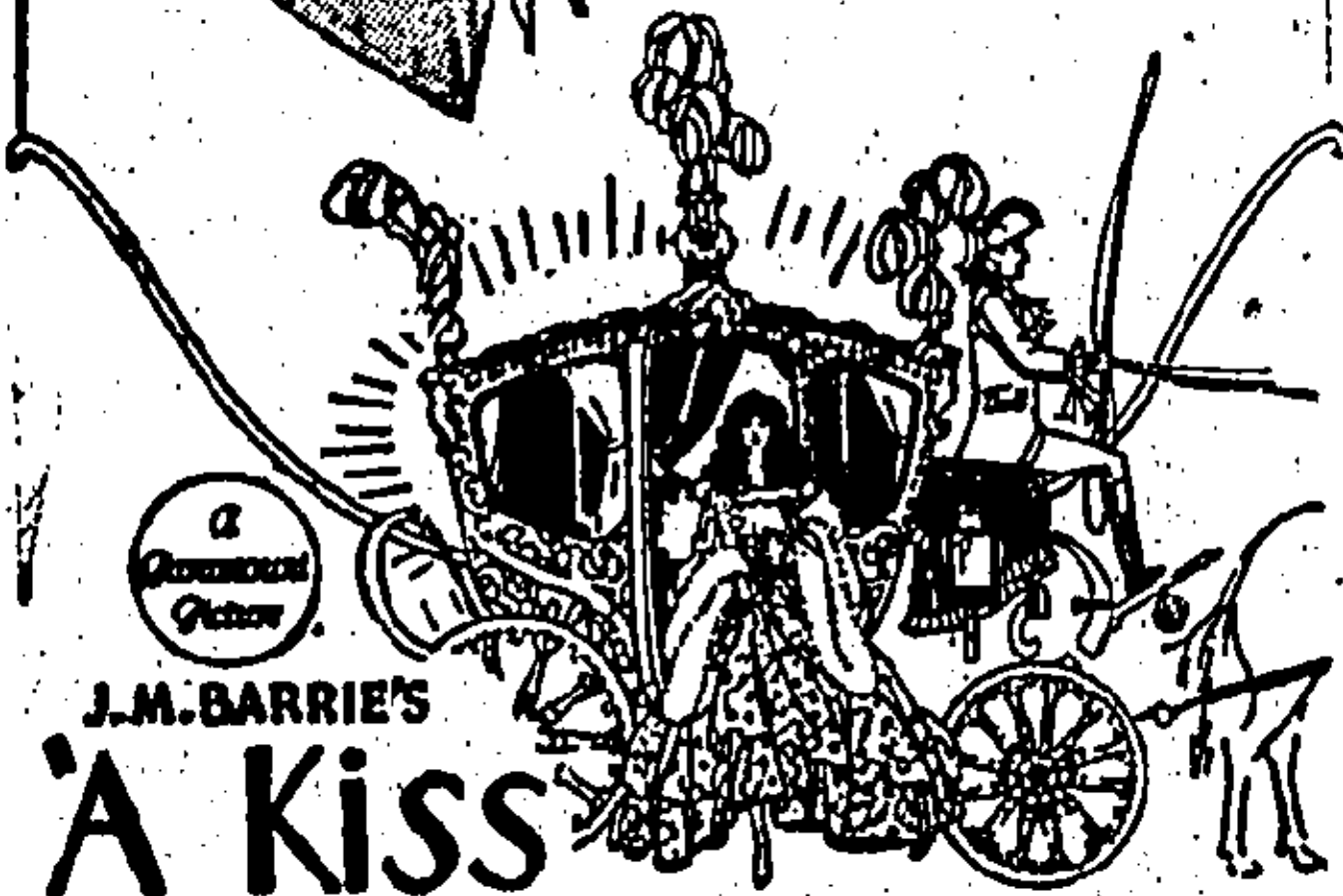
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